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JAPANESE NAVAL SHUFFLE

Reshuffling of the Naval General Staff was officially announced in Tokyo yesterday.

Rear-Admiral Seiichi Ito is appointed Vice-Chief of the Naval General Staff, succeeding Rear-Admiral Nobutake Kondo who has held the post since October, 1939.

Admiral Kondo has been appointed to an undisclosed post at sea.

The announcement also revealed that Rear-Admiral Nishizo Tsukahara, Commander of the Chindai Naval Station in Southern Korea, has been transferred to duty with the General Staff, with Rear-Admiral Inuta Sakamoto appointed as his successor.

Captain Shigetada Horiuchi has been appointed Chairman of the Naval Mission to French Indo-China replacing Captain Kanze Chudo, who has been transferred as a Sectional Chief of the Naval General Staff.—Reuter.

Army Sentiments In Contrast With Konoye Caution

"SPADE WORK" DONE IN INDO-CHINA

Major-General Sumita, who headed the Japanese Military Mission to Indo-China, returned to Tokyo yesterday.

He described his task as being concerned only with the "spade work" and added that efforts must now be made to put on the finishing touches.—Reuter.

A HIGHLY BELLICOSE SPEECH on the alleged encirclement of Japan by the ABCD front was broadcast throughout Japan yesterday by Colonel Hayao Mabuchi, in an "East Asia Day" programme.

Colonel Mabuchi is the Japanese Army press chief and his "death struggle" broadcast is sharply contrasted with the cautious tones of the military leaders in Tokyo.

"We must break through the ABCD (American, British, Chinese and Dutch) encirclement, and if necessary will use force," he declared.

"IT WOULD BE THE HIGHEST FOLLY TO SIT BY IDLY AND AWAIT DEATH," HE ADDED.

Colonel Mabuchi predicted that intensive diplomatic efforts would be continued in an attempt to overcome the very grave crisis confronting Japan, but if these efforts were to fail Japan would be obliged to employ force regardless of how long the war might last.

THE DANGERS AHEAD

The realistic tone of President Roosevelt's speech and the insistent warning against any under-estimate of dangers ahead found cordial endorsement in London, writes Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent.

The President has been quick to re-echo and underline the warnings against complacency which have been uttered by Mr. Winston Churchill and Mr. Anthony Eden in recent days.

The American determination to accelerate to the utmost the production of war materials was especially welcomed in London.

Moreover, it was noted with pleasure and satisfaction that the expression of this determination showed the President's clear grasp of the urgent pressing needs on the supply front.

The speech exactly parallels the determination of the British Government and British Labour, to accelerate similar production at home.—Reuter.

SAIGON REPORT INCORRECT

The report that a German Consulate was opened in Saigon on August 25 is incorrect.

Although all Saigon newspapers formally announced the opening of the Consulate, it is now understood that the office opened by the German Consular official, Herr Neuman, who arrived in Saigon recently, actually is his own office as representative in Indo-China of the Wiesbaden Armistice Commission.—Reuter.

ENEMY SHELLFIRE

IN THE FRONTIER AREA IN LIBYA THERE WAS A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF ENEMY SHELLFIRE YESTERDAY, SAYS A BRITISH COMMUNIQUE ISSUED IN CAIRO.

At Tobruk, enemy artillery activity was less than usual.

In the Wolcherit area in Italian East Africa, a small party of Patriots, supported by a few light guns, successfully attacked an enemy position capturing a few prisoners.—Reuter.

SHANGHAI SEES SMALL CHANCES OF SETTLEMENT

THE WHOLE ATTENTION of the Shanghai newspapers, especially the pro-Chungking section, remains centred on the talks between Japan and the United States.

A special despatch from Washington to the "Chinese-American Daily News," reputedly the mouthpiece of the Chungking Government, says that the United States will demand the complete withdrawal of the Japanese forces from China as one of the conditions for a settlement of the Far East crisis.

The highly influential "Shun Pao" says that the negotiations were prompted by Japan's desire to delay the outbreak of war in the Pacific so as to give her time to watch the development of the war on the eastern front.

The widely-read "National Herald" expressed the hope that the negotiations will fail because "if Japan agrees to quit the Axis, China will have to make considerable sacrifices." Typical of pro-Nanking Chinese

Difficult To Find

The most noteworthy foreign press comment is that of the Shanghai "Evening Post" and (Continued on Page 10)

Air Smash

Twelve people were killed and four seriously injured when a transport plane on its way to Toulouse crashed into the Bolmon Lake near Marseilles.

One of the passengers is reported to be a member of the Franco-Italian Armistice Commission.—Reuter.



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THE PLEDGE TO SMASH HITLER

President Roosevelt's Labour Day Speech

BERLIN BOMBED BY SOVIET 'PLANES

A special radio announcement from Moscow last night reported Soviet air raids on Berlin, Königsberg, Danzig and Memel during Sunday. Incendiary and high explosive bombs were dropped on military targets at all four places. One Soviet machine did not return.—Reuter.

Iran Peace Hopes

At an ordinary session of the Medjliss (Parliament) in Teheran yesterday, the Prime Minister, Furughi informed the Deputies that conversations were proceeding satisfactorily and that the situation was becoming clearer.

He hoped that the matter would be settled in a day or two.

Referring to various rumours circulating in Teheran, the Prime Minister said he regretted that the people were in such a nervous state that some were even quitting the capital and he assured the House that there was absolutely no danger to the population, government or anybody else.

Such rumours were circulated by mischief makers, he said.

The Prime Minister urged the people not to hoard bread and other foodstuffs, assuring the House that there was ample for all and he asked Members to circulate his words so that Government could work until the problem is settled.—Reuter.

HISTORIC LOCKET FOUND

When, just before laying down his head on the executioner's block, in 1794, Georges Jacques Danton said, "My bed soon will be annihilation, but I shall live in the Pantheon of history," little did he dream that nearly a century and a half later a locket bearing a representation of his head would be dug up in a suburban garden in far-off Australia.

The locket was unearthed recently at Shakespeare Street, Copparoo, by Mr. W. L. Nicklin. He has presented it to the Museum, and the director (Mr. H. A. Longman) says it is a valuable addition to the institution's collection.

Danton was the leader of the movement which resulted in the destruction of the Bastille and the setting up of the tribunal which afterwards included him amongst its victims. He, however, had said, "I prefer being guillotined to guillotining."

Call For Further Intensive Drive For Production

"ON THIS DAY — THIS AMERICAN HOLIDAY — WE CELEBRATE THE RIGHT OF THE FREE LABOURING OF MEN. THE RESERVATION OF THESE RIGHTS IS NOW VITALLY IMPORTANT NOT ONLY TO US WHO ENJOY THEM BUT TO THE WHOLE FUTURE OF CHRISTIAN CIVILISATION," DECLARED PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT IN HIS BROADCAST SPEECH IN NEW YORK YESTERDAY ON THE OCCASION OF LABOUR DAY.

The President continued: "American labour now bears a tremendous responsibility in winning this most brutal and most terrible of all wars.

"In our factories, shops and arsenals we are building weapons on a great scale, great in its magnitude. To all the battle-fronts of the world are these weapons being despatched by day and night over seas and through the air, and this nation is now devising and developing new weapons of unprecedented power toward the maintenance of Democracy.

"Why are we doing this? Why are we determined to devote our entire industrial effort to the prosecution of a war which actually has not yet touched our own shores?

"We are not a warlike people; we never sought glory as a nation of warriors. We are not interested in aggression. We are not interested — as the Dictators are — in looting. We do not covet one square inch of the territory of any other nation.

"Our vast effort and the unity of purpose which inspires that effort are due solely to our recognition of the fact that our fundamental rights — including the rights of Labour — are threatened by Hitler's violent attempt to rule the world.

The Bond

There never has been a moment in history when the Americans were not ready to stand up as free men and fight for their rights. In times of national emergency one fact is brought home clearly to us decisively — that all our rights are interdependent.

The rights of freedom of worship would mean nothing without freedom of speech and the rights of free labour, as we know them to-day, could not survive without rights of free enterprise. That is an indestructible bond between all us Americans.

Inter-dependence of interests, privileges and opportunities — inter-dependence of rights, that is what unites us — men and women of all sections. That is why we have been able to defy and frustrate enemies who believed they could divide us and control us from within.

Naval Strategy

These enemies all know we possess a strong navy — gaining in strength. They know that that navy — as long as the navies of the British Empire, the Netherlands, Norway and Russia exist — can together guarantee freedom of the seas.

These enemies know that if those other navies were destroyed, the American navy cannot now or in the future maintain freedom of the seas against all the rest of the world.

These enemies know our army is increasing daily in all round strength, and these enemies know that to-day the chief American fighters in the battles now raging are those engaged in American industry — employers and employees alike. These enemies know that the course of American production in the past year has shown enormous gains and the product of those industries is moving to the battle-fronts

against Hitlerism in increasing volume each day. But these enemies also know that our American effort is not yet enough — and that unless we step up the total of our production and more greatly safeguard it on its journey to the battlefields, these enemies will take heart in pushing their attack in old fields and new.

Solemn Warning

I give a solemn warning to those who think that Hitler has been blocked and halted that they are making a very dangerous assumption.

When in an area your enemy seems to be making slower progress than he did the year before, that is the very moment to strike with redoubled force — to throw more energy into the job of defeating him — to end forever and all time a menace of world conquest, and thereby end all talk or thought of any peace founded on compromise with evil itself.

We know that a free labour system is the very foundation of a functioning democracy. We know that one of the first acts of the Axis dictatorships has been to wipe out all principles and standards which labour has been able to establish for its own preservation and advancement.

Forbidden Philosophy

Trade Unionism is a forbidden philosophy under these rule-or-ruin dictators. For trade unionism demands freedom of expression and peaceful assembly. Trade unionism has helped to give everyone who holds a position of dignity which is his due.

The present position of labour in the United States as an interdependent unit in the life of the nation has not come about by chance. It has been a revolutionary process of healthy democracy at work.

Hitler has not worked that way. He will not, cannot work that way. Just as he denies all rights to individuals, he must deny all rights to groups — of labour or business or learning or the church.

He has abolished trade unions as ruthlessly as he has persecuted religion. No group of Americans has realised more clearly what Nazi domination means than has organised labour — what it means to their standards of living, their freedom, their lives. No group has a greater stake in the defeat of Nazism — in the preservation of fundamental freedoms, in continuance of democracy throughout the world.

Infinitely More

We have already achieved much; it is imperative that we achieve infinitely more! The single-mindedness and sacrifice

with which we jointly dedicate ourselves to the production of weapons of freedom will determine in no small part the length of the ordeal through which humanity must pass. We cannot hesitate, we cannot equivocate in the great task before us.

The defence of America's freedom must take precedence over every private aim and over every private interest.

We are engaged on a grim and perilous task. The forces of insane violence have been let loose by Hitler upon this earth. We must do our full part in conquering them, for these forces may be unleashed on this nation as we go about our business of protecting the proper interests of our country.

The task of defeating Hitler may be long and arduous, said the President.

There are a few appeasers and Nazi sympathisers who say that it cannot be done.

THEY ASK ME TO NEGOTIATE WITH HITLER — TO PRAY FOR CRUMBS FROM HIS VICTORIOUS TABLE.

They do in fact ask me to become a modern Benedict Arnold and betray all I hold dear, my devotion to our freedom, our churches, to our country. This course I have rejected. I reject it again.

Great Privilege

Instead, I know I speak for the conscience and the determination of the American people when I say we shall do everything in our power to crush Hitler and his Nazi forces.

American workers, American

MORE GERMAN POLICE IN ROME

New groups of German Police have arrived in Rome "to take a course in Colonial police work" at Tivoli it was announced in Rome yesterday.—Reuter.

'WOMEN AS CHEAP LABOUR'

Engineers objected to the mobilisation of women for the engineering industry at the A.E.U. conference at Llandudno and demanded that those called in should be given pay equal to men.

A resolution expressing concern at the Government's decision to mobilise women for work in the engineering factories was carried.

It declared that under the existing wage scales and conditions women in the industry were for the purpose of cheapening production in labour costs.

It instructed the executive, with the other unions concerned, to open negotiations with the Employers' Federation on the principle of equal pay for equal work.

The conference complained that young engineers called up for the Army were not being used as engineers and asked that they should be so used or returned to the industry.

farmers, American business men and American churchmen—all of us together—have the great responsibility and the great privilege of labouring to build a democratic world on enduring foundations.

May it be said on some future Labour Day by some future President of the United States that we did our work faithfully and well.—Reuter.

SOVIET CONTINUES RAPID ADVANCE IN IRAN

THE ENTRY OF SOVIET troops into six more Iranian towns was officially announced in Moscow yesterday.

The advance brings them considerably nearer to the capital, Teheran, and also nearer to the regions into which the British troops have already advanced.

Hazvin — where British and Russian troops have already established contact — on the road linking Tabriz and the capital was the most important of the places entered by the Russians yesterday.

Sari and Shari are two small towns twenty miles apart — the former being 70 miles south-west of Bandar Shah, the Caspian port and the railroad.

Selkowitz, the fourth town mentioned, indicates a considerable advance. It lies just south-west of the Jaghat Mountains and is about as far inside Iran from the Turko-

menistan frontier as Meshed, which was occupied a few days ago.

Peaceful Progress

Soviet troops have also gone further southward in Eastern Iran and have entered the small towns of Turbat-Haidari and Turbat-Shahkhan. These towns are about 80 miles apart opposite the north-western corner of the Afghanistan frontier.

Reports from Tabriz and elsewhere continue to emphasise the peaceful acceptance by the inhabitants of the allied entry.—Reuter.

Germans Thrust Upon The Defensive In Crucial Areas

Threat To Rear Round Leningrad

CHECKED IN THE THRUST TOWARDS LENINGRAD AND ON THE LOWER DNIEPER, THE GERMANS HAVE BEEN THROWN ON THE DEFENSIVE AT ALL OTHER IMPORTANT POINTS ALONG THE 1,800 MILE RUSSIAN FRONT.

This much is clear from the last reports from the front, though a great deal more remains to be told and though it is impossible to foresee the next development.

The Red Army's heaviest counter-assault is south of Lake Ilmen, threatening the flanks and rear of the German troops farther north, in the Leningrad attack, while General Koniev is hammering at the Gomel position. German reports mention fighting near Bobruisk, south-west of Smolensk, indicating a withdrawal for some distance in this sector.

Heavy Counter-Attacks

"Annalist," in a commentary on the position, points out that while the Soviet High Command, which mentions that fighting continues unabated along the entire front, is, further than this, singularly uncommunicative for the moment, the Germans refer to the numerous and widespread counter-attacks by the Russians, not only in the central sector (Gomel and Bobruisk) but also now on the lower course of the Dnieper in the south and in the north below Lake Ilmen.

The Soviet forces are reported to be bringing up heavy tanks of over fifty tons in the land battles and are evidently using gunboats to advantage along the Dnieper harassing the Germans attempting to establish bridge-heads.

Healthy Sign

The situation needs further clarification before it can be properly appraised, but it is clear that Marshals Timoshenko and Budenny are exerting healthy counter-action to the repeated German attempts to find weak spots in the central section and where the narrowing of the Dnieper near Kiev affords the Germans easy access to the east towards the Don and the Donetz Basin.

There is no official confirmation that the Russians have evacuated Viborg in Finland. There would be good military reasons for them doing so, for it would make it easier for them to defend Leningrad by shortening their line of communications.

Reports that the withdrawal has been ordered for political rather than military reasons should be treated with reserve because of their conflicting nature.

Rain

The Germans are now admitting that ceaseless rains are hampering operations in the main Leningrad battlezone south of Lake Ilmen and it seems evident that the weather is becoming an increasingly important defensive factor.

Fresh Onslaughts

Fresh counter-attacks by Marshal Budenny's forces south of Kiev and on the lower course of the Dnieper are reported by the official German news agency. The Soviet forces, says the agency, supported by artillery and

gunboats, yesterday repeated the attempt to gain the western bank of the Dnieper south of Kiev. This attack was frustrated with heavy losses to the Russians.

Strong Russian forces attacked the German positions on the lower course of the Dnieper. These attacks—says the German agency—were also repulsed with heavy losses.

In this defensive battle, a thousand prisoners were taken.

The agency also states that violent fighting took place yesterday in the centre of the front and claims that 25 Soviet tanks, including eight of the 52-ton type, were destroyed in this section. It does not repeat the assertion that the attacks were repulsed.—Reuter.

300,000 CATTLE TO BE KILLED

Because of shortage of feeding stuffs, 300,000 "unthrifty" cattle on British farms must be slaughtered.

It is hoped farmers will do this voluntarily, but, if not, panels will be set up in each county with power to order.

Every milk and beef producer must aim at making his farm self-supporting in feeding stuffs. No animal incapable of showing an adequate return for its keep must be kept.

Livestock production is to be planned, and the Ministry of Food is instituting, until the end of October, special grades and prices for all low quality beasts.

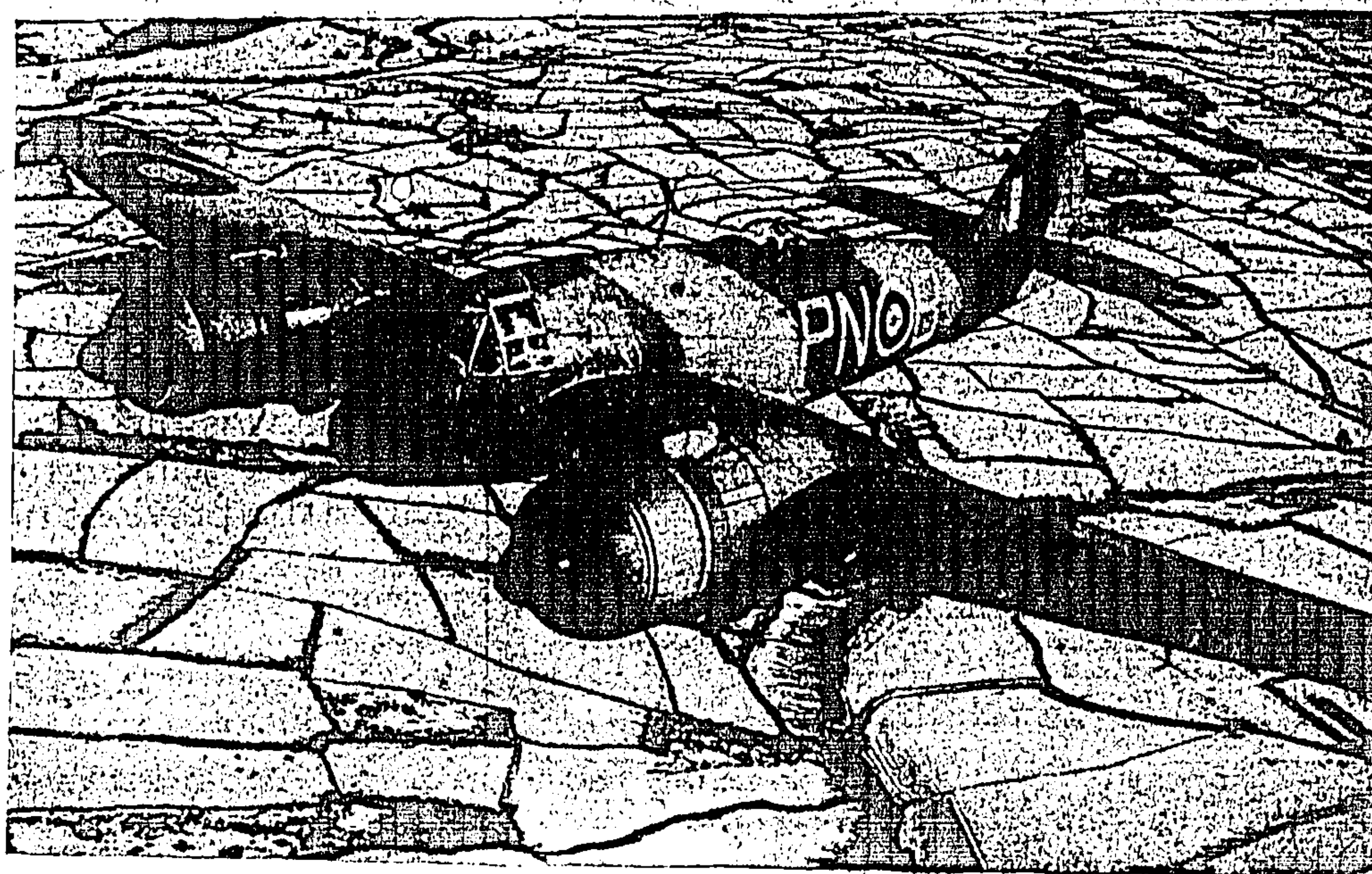
The Minister of Agriculture said that the feeding stuffs situation has become increasingly serious and next winter's shortage would be greater than expected.

The Minister wants to reduce the dairy herds by 5 per cent, which represents about 170,000 head, and expects to have 130,000 beef beasts slaughtered as well.

RUSSIAN IN ANZAC AIR FORCE

Vladimir Vitte, 31, a naturalised Russian tractor driver, from Tully, has been accepted for air crew by Brisbane Air Force recruiting authorities.

Vitte, who was born and educated in China, is believed to be the first Russian accepted for air crew in Queensland. He has been 10 years in the State. Recruiting officials said that he was a particularly fine type of recruit.



"BEAUFIGHTER"—The twin-engined Bristol "Beaufighter," a high-speed heavily armed fighter monoplane, suitable for use as a day or night interceptor. Some of these aircraft are fitted with four cannon and six machine-guns.

SOVIET VERSION OF FINNISH FRONT BATTLE

A STORM TROOPER division and one Finnish brigade were thrown against one Soviet regiment in the "N" sector of the Eastern Front, says Moscow's supplementary communique issued yesterday.

"Our Red Army defended themselves courageously, attacking the enemy on all sides. Soon another unit joined our regiment, strengthening the resistance of the Soviet troops.

Despairing of breaking our defence by counter-attacks, the Germans decided to try to encircle our unit. Through forests and marshes the Finnish regiment succeeded in penetrating to our rear where it counted upon creating a panic in our ranks but the Finns made a mistake, "the communique says.

"The Red Army repulsed all attacks and more Soviet reinforcements arrived and the Finns found themselves encircled by our troops.

"The Finn regiment was routed, and out of 2,000 Finns who penetrated to our rear," the communique says, "not more than 600 men managed to escape from the encirclement. Forty machine-guns, many trench mortars and rifles and other military equipment were captured or destroyed."

Guerilla Activity

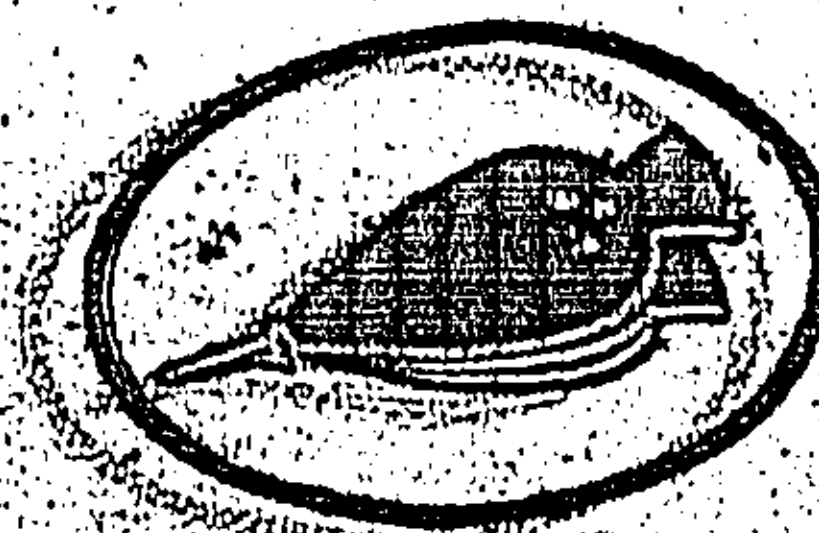
A Russian report says that according to a statement of prisoners nearly all the company commanders and eight or nine men out of every 12 were killed. Guerilla detachments continue to harass German and Finnish troops who have seized certain parts of the Karelian Finnish Republic, according to a Soviet communique, locating the enemy's weak spots and inflicting severe losses upon him by destroying bridges and stores, and making night attacks upon small enemy detachments.

Enemy lines of communications, in many cases, have been destroyed and the roads mined, says Soviet reports. In one case the forest through which the enemy was moving was set afire on all sides causing great losses amongst the Finns and Germans.

Belgian Hospitals

According to another Soviet report, thousands of Belgian patients have been moved from hospitals in Brussels, Ghent, Antwerp and other towns.

A recent order of the German High Command is that all Belgian hospitals be placed at the disposal of the German military authorities for housing German wounded. About 40,000 German wounded are expected to arrive any day in Belgium.—Reuter.



FELLOWSHIP OF THE BELLOWS

JULY SCORE 435

BOTH JUST AND NECESSARY

Cardinal Hinsley, Catholic Archbishop of Westminster, in London yesterday addressed Catholic members of the forces serving in the war.

His Eminence said that there existed today a tyrant who made a God out of war and who had no scruples in dealing with mankind.

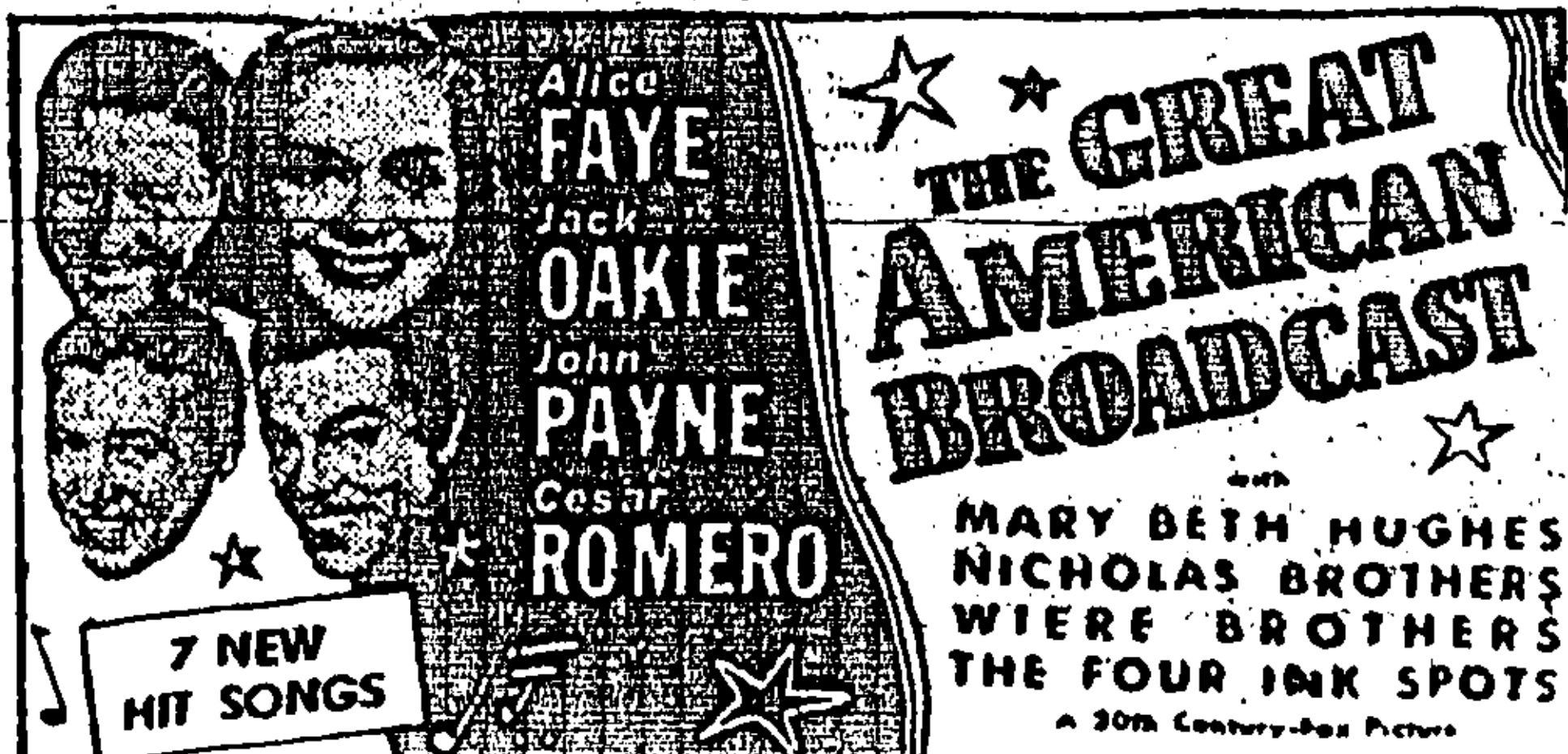
"War against such a man is both just and necessary."—Reuter.

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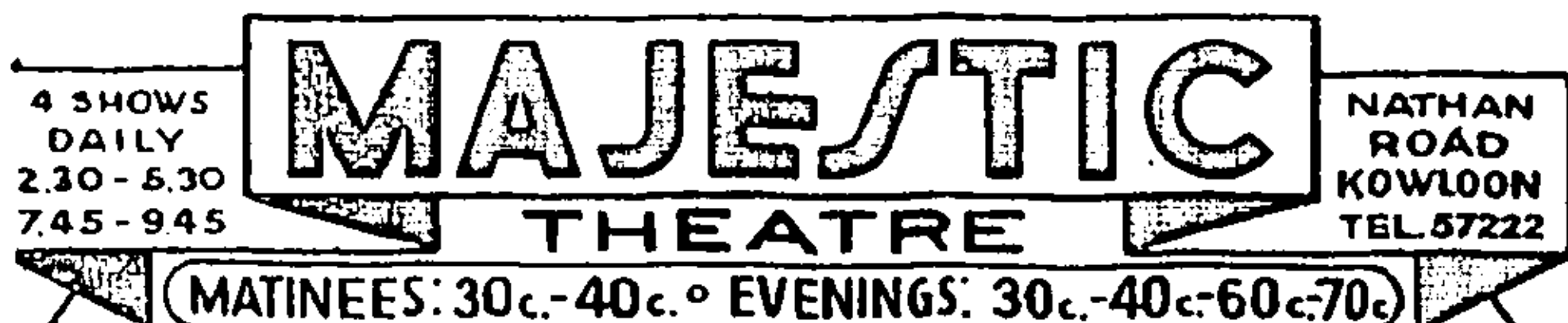
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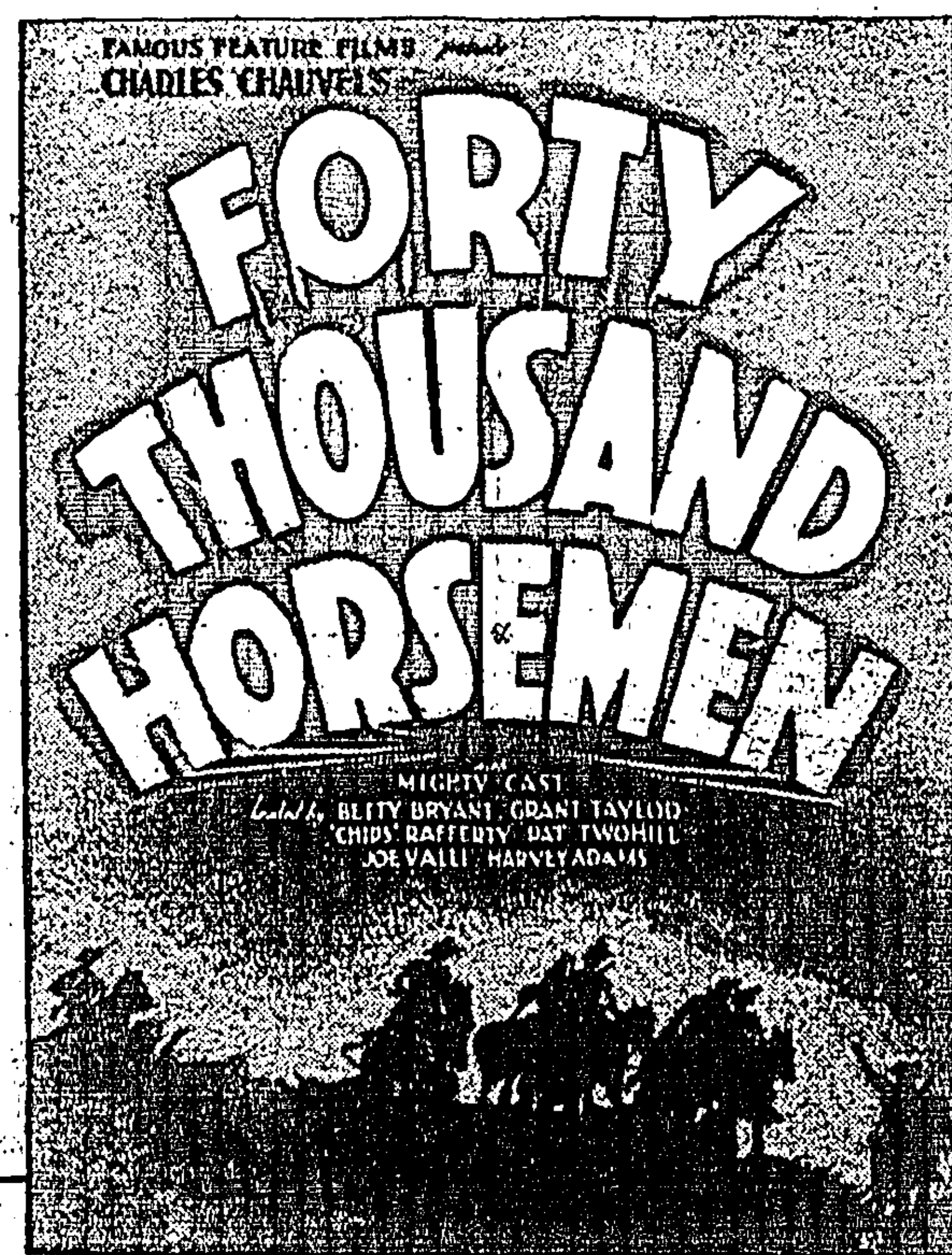
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TRIPOLI GETS SECOND BLITZ IN TWO NIGHTS

HEAVY BOMBERS of the R.A.F. again
raided Tripoli Harbour on Sunday night drop-
ping large quantities of bombs upon the
Spanish Quay and upon ships unloading in
the port, according to an Air Ministry com-
munique.

Large fires broke out and columns of
smoke rose high into the air. One ship at the
quayside was hit and set on fire and large
blazes were still burning from the heavy at-
tack on the previous night.

"Even older fires were still
smouldering," adds the communi-
que.

Aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm
bombed dumps near Bardia which
caused a number of explosions
suggesting that ammunition stores
had been hit.

Other bombers of the R.A.F.
raided aerodromes at Maritza and
Calato on the Island of Rhodes.

"At Maritza, direct hits on hang-
ars and aircraft were observed,
fires breaking out in various parts
of the aerodrome.

"At Calato, explosions and fires
followed the attack.

Torpedo Attack

"During the night of August 30,
aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm
made a torpedo attack on a mer-
chant ship near Lampedusa Island.
One torpedo struck the vessel
which stopped with a heavy list.
The second torpedo is also believed
to have found its mark.

"From all these operations one
of our aircraft is missing."—Reu-
ter.

LOG HUT LIFE FOR EVACUEES

Sixty British evacuee
children from all parts of
the United States were
packing recently for a
grand summer holiday re-
union in the wilds of
Maine.

This gathering of young Bri-
tons in a super convention of fun
and chatter lasting for two
months, is the brainwave of an
energetic little Englishwoman,
Mrs. Ena Curry.

Under her supervision, the
children will build log cabins
for 100 other boys and girls
who will arrive later.

"I felt," Mrs. Curry said, "that
during warm months the little
evacuees would be feeling home-
sick, thinking of their parents
and perhaps recalling trips to
Brighton or Clacton or Blackpool."

So Mrs. Curry found an old
camping centre at Casco Bay, on
the wild, but beautiful, coast of
Maine, and raised £1,000 from
rich and sympathetic American
friends to renovate it.

With Mrs. Curry as "mother,"
the children will live like the
early English colonists who
founded America.

OLD JOB BARRED TO DUNKIRK MAN

"Callous and inconsiderate" is
how Hugh Duffy, a former Dun-
fermline Corporation employee,
describes the treatment he has
received since his discharge from
the Army after being severely
wounded at Dunkirk.

He was unable to get back
his superannuated job with the
corporation because of his dis-
ability, and later had to get
public assistance relief for his
wife and six children.

Councillor Andrew Condie told
Dunfermline Town Council that
through its officials he had com-
mitted "one of the most unpar-
donable acts of injustice."

He secured a special investiga-
tion into the case.

FLYING FORTRESS IN ACTION

The Royal Air Force
scored a nineteen-to-four
victory in planes shot
down over the Luftwaffe
recently in sweeps over
northern France, follow-
ing a night of inaction,
presumably because of
bad weather.

Blenheims of Great Britain's
Bomber Command, escorted by
fighters, bombed railroads, freight
yards and stations and an enemy
airport near St. Omer, while
American-built Boeing Flying
Fortresses were attacking the
docks at Brest, where the German
warships Gneisenau, Scharnhorst
and Prinz Eugen presumably are
sheltering.

After leaving Brest one of the
Flying Fortresses was attacked by
seven German fighter planes, pre-
sumably Messerschmitt 109-F's,
believed to be the only German
fighters which can achieve the
height at which the Boeings
operate. The Flying Fortress suf-
fered some damage, and there
were casualties among its crew
in beating off the attack. How-
ever, the crew brought the dam-
aged plane safely back to Britain,
the Air Ministry reported.

British fighters carried out
several sweeps over the Chan-
nel and the French coast, while
Blenheims, seeking enemy ship-
ping off the coast of Holland,
bombed and set afire a German
patrol vessel.

In the course of their sweeps,
both as escorts for bombers and
on fighter operations, the Spit-
fires and Hurricanes shot down
nineteen German planes. Four
British aircraft, all fighters, were
lost. All the bombers returned
safely.

HITLER THE STAR GAZER

"Hitler has present-
ed Mussolini with a
great astronomical
observatory which is
being built near Rome
and is to be completed
this year. It will be
provided with the best
precision instru-
ments.

This was announced
by the German Radio
yesterday afternoon.
—Reuter.

'DROWNED' HUSBAND IN BIGAMY CASE

The wife of a man
charged with bigamy at
St. Albans, Herts, told the
court that she had mar-
ried again on being in-
formed that her husband
had been drowned.

Before the Bench was Ivor Lloyd
Rogers, who appeared in naval
uniform, and he was committed
for trial at the Herts Assizes.

His wife, now Mrs. Caroline
Manasseh Burton, of Rose Cottage,
Llanfair Road, Trecwm, Pembro-
keshire, said she was married to
Rogers at Cardigan register office
on November 19, 1932.

Pen Pals

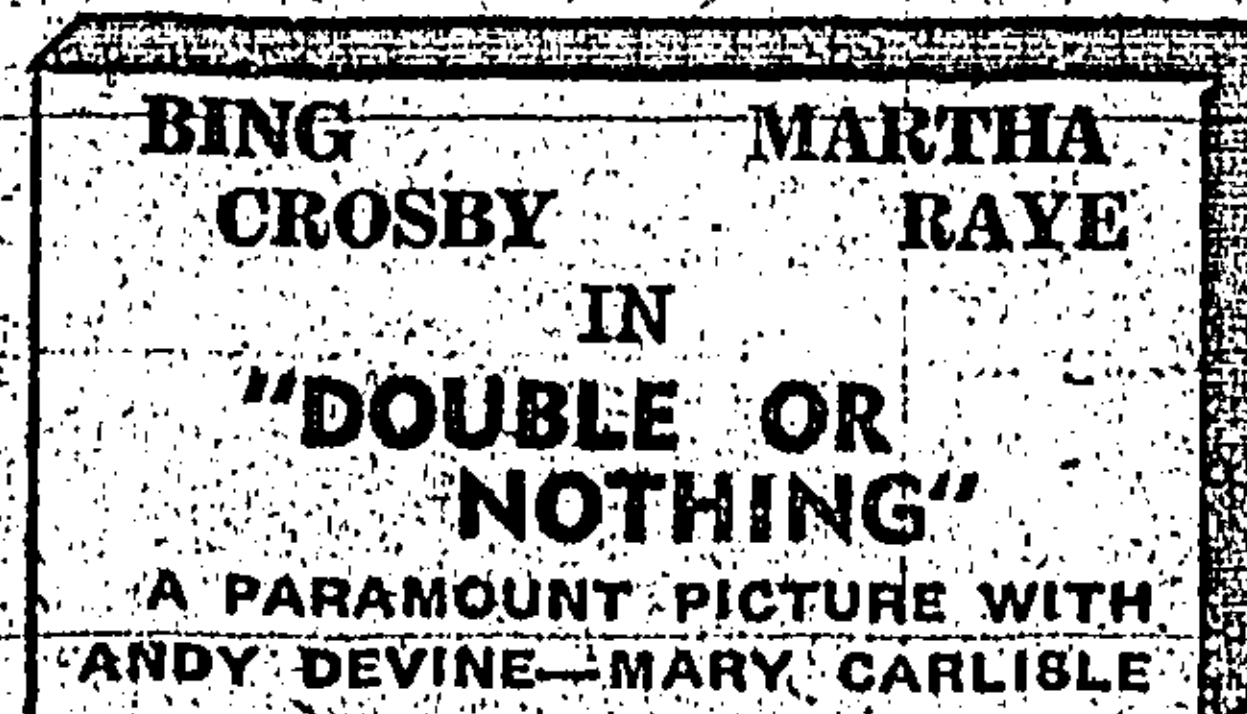
He left her in August, 1934,
and did not return. Later the
police told her that his clothes
had been found on the beach at
Aberystwyth and it was pre-
sumed that he had been
drowned.

Edith Heleonor May Ledbury,
of Netherwyld Farm Cottages,
Colney Street, St. Albans, said
that in June, 1936, she received
through a "pen pal" club a letter
signed Ivor Rogers. After about
six months he came to see her.

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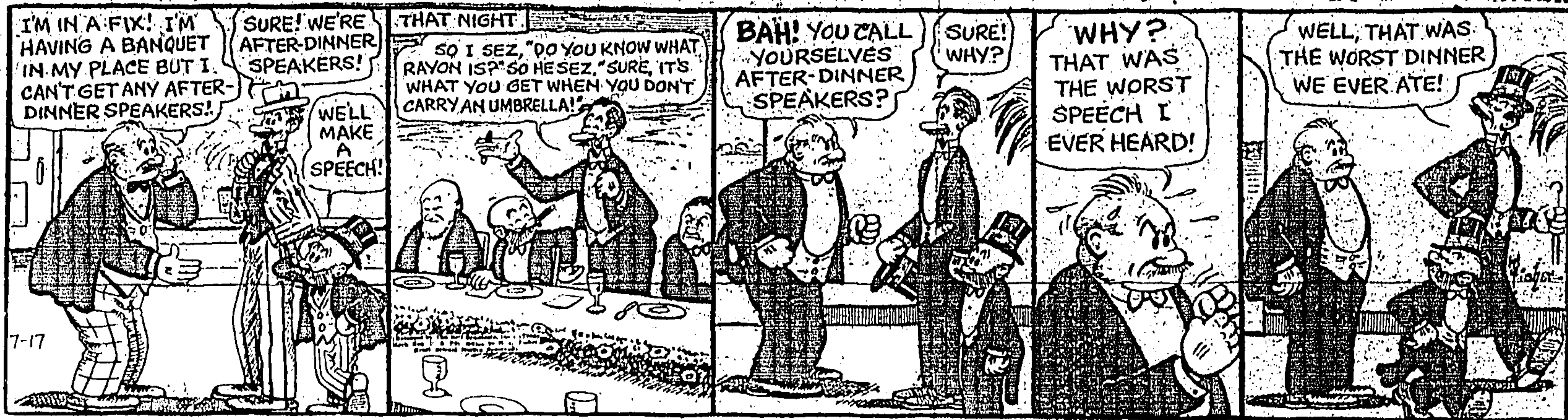
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By RUD FISHER



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When I went to see her (writes a "Daily Mirror" correspondent) she drew aside the lace curtains, popped her head through the window of her little villa, smiled a welcome, and handed me a latch key.

"Come inside if you would like to talk to me," she said.

This is the way Miss Florence Richards, of Burnage-lane, Manchester, always greets her visitors.

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TWINS SHARE BRAINS

Is there such a thing as mental telepathy? Scientists have pooh-pooed the idea for years, but an eminent authority states that he believes from his study of twins that something very close to mental telepathy is existing in the world.

Twin sisters were in the same biology class.

In an examination the main question dealt with material that one girl claims to have neither read nor discussed with her sister.

When she began to think about the matter, however, the answer came to her and she wrote it out without difficulty.

This answer was so much like that written by her twin sister that the teacher suspected copying, but the girls had been sitting far apart.

Another instance tells of a boy called Joe and his twin. These two boys answered questions on examination papers identically.

One teacher, despairing of preventing this kind of communication, put Joe in the office of the principal and kept Joe's twin in the teacher's own office. Joe was given the questions, but did not begin to answer them.

"Why don't you get to work?" inquired the teacher.

"I am not ready," responded Joe.

He did not start to answer the examination questions until the actual moment when his twin brother had received his questions and then he went busily to work. And the papers they turned in were exactly the same—even down to the mistakes.

TOOK BOMB ON HIS CYCLE

A constable, setting off on his bicycle for the police station, held a "strange object" on the crossbar.

He thought it was a shell case. There was an explosion. He was fatally injured. Several men nearby were wounded.

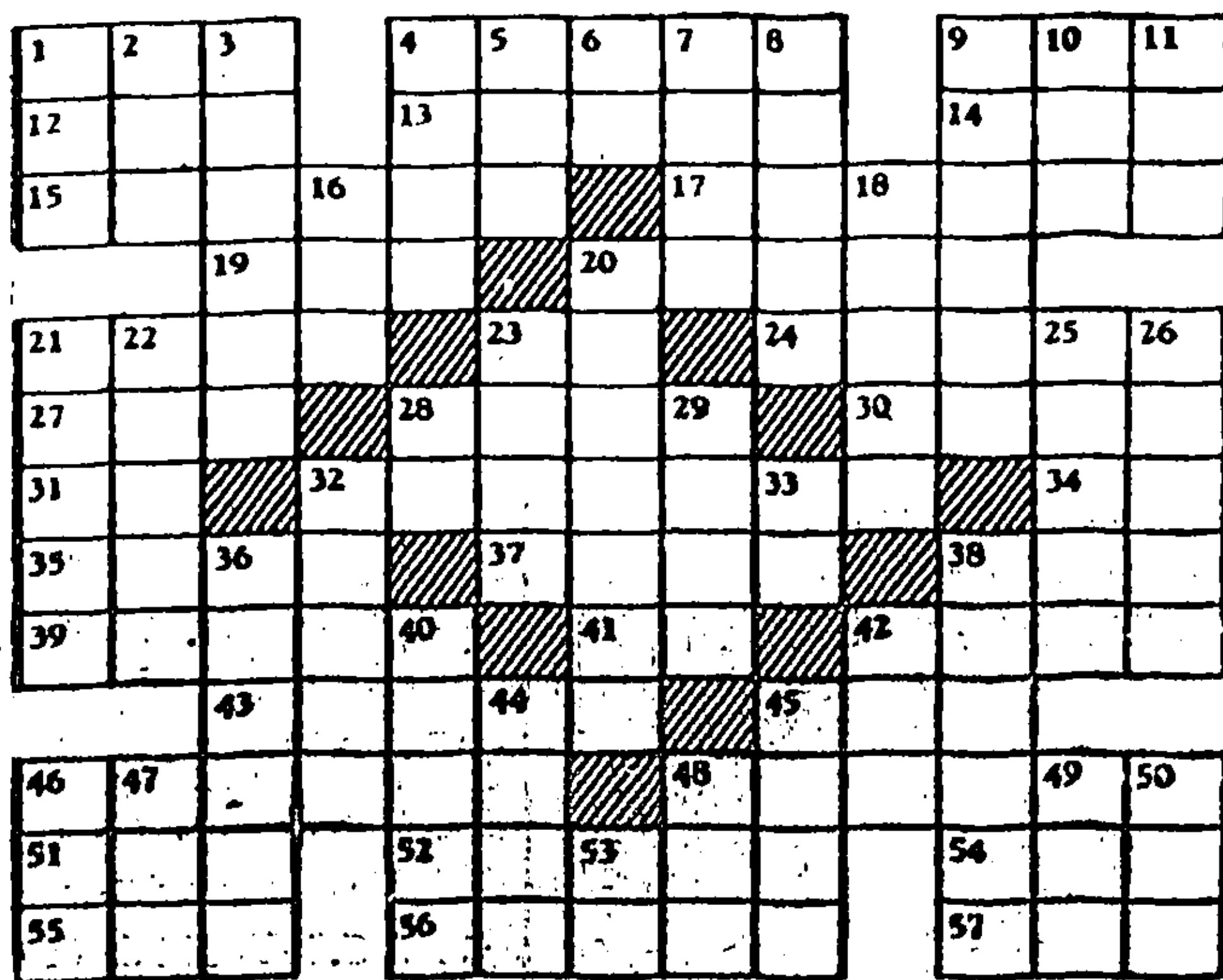
The "strange object" was a bomb, dropped on a north-east town by a raider.

The story was told at the inquest on Police-Constable William Gordon Ward.

An Army sergeant and a private, it was stated, had tried to take the "strange object" to pieces with a hammer. It was put in a trench, where it lay for some time.

Verdict: Accidental death.

OUR 10-MINUTE CROSS-WORD



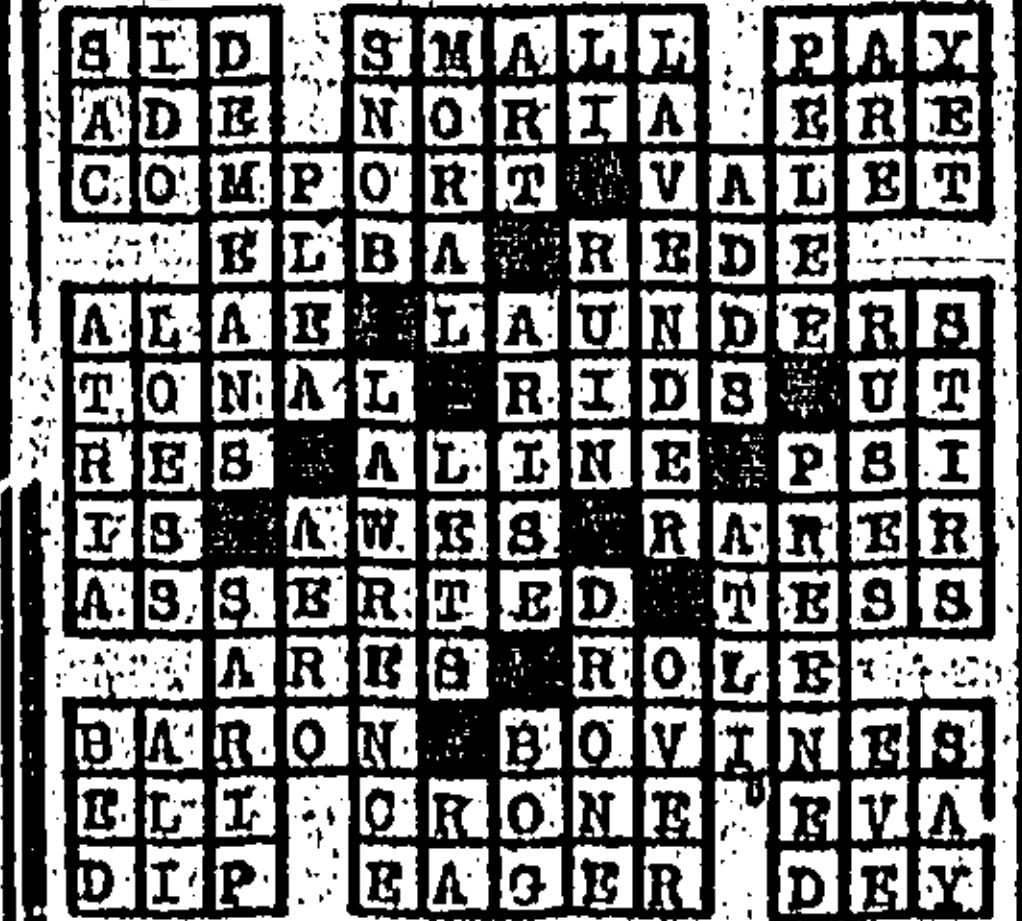
HORIZONTAL

- 1 Resort
- 4 Untrue
- 9 Wing
- 12 To bring forth
- 13 Law: to revoke
- 14 Ignited
- 15 Arctic dweller
- 17 Japanese emperor
- 19 Fruit, drink
- 20 Bishop's headress
- 21 Female horse
- 23 Greek letter
- 24 Large nail
- 27 Hummingbird
- 28 Present
- 30 Image
- 31 Sun god
- 32 To acknowledge
- 34 Symbol for ruthenium
- 35 Mahnerly
- 37 Appellation of Athena
- 38 To disfigure
- 39 To omit
- 41 Printer's measure
- 42 Cord
- 43 Lukewarm
- 45 Roman bronze

VERTICAL

- 1 To excuse
- 4 Sun god
- 5 Gone by
- 12 College officials
- 14 Hearing organ
- 15 Writing implement
- 16 Weird
- 17 To colour
- 21 To observe
- 22 Dance step
- 23 Capital of Turkey
- 24 Renown
- 25 Flurry
- 26 French article
- 27 Prefix: half
- 28 Gives forth
- 29 King of the Visigoths
- 30 Cover
- 31 Philippine Island ward division
- 32 European fish
- 33 Military caps
- 34 Silenced
- 35 French river
- 36 To be of use
- 37 One of Columbus's ships
- 38 Scriptures of the Mohammedans
- 39 To come into operation
- 40 To depart
- 41 To abound
- 42 Granted
- 43 Symbol for samarium
- 44 Fruit similar to the lemon
- 45 Deceived
- 46 Lyric poem
- 47 Constellation
- 48 Arrow poison
- 49 Protecting part of a building
- 50 Soft substance
- 51 To mature
- 52 Tropical bird
- 53 To place
- 54 Crude metal
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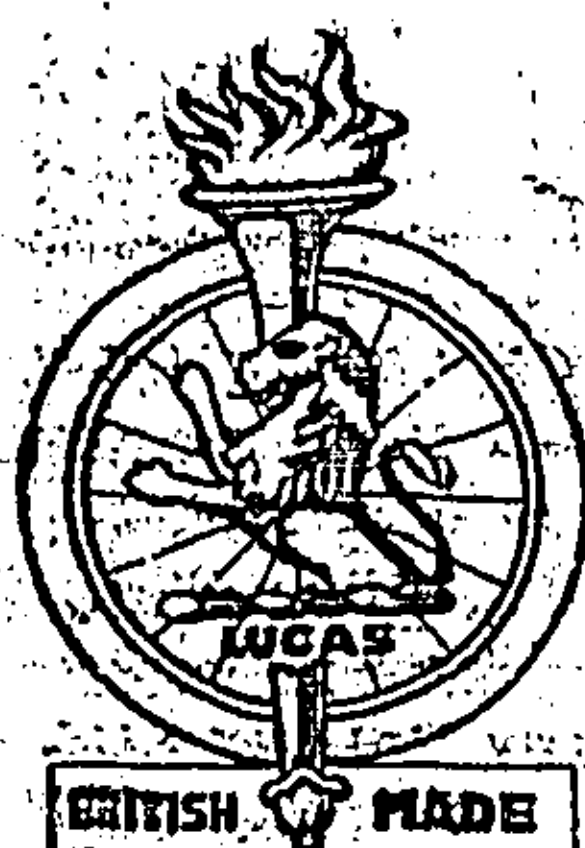
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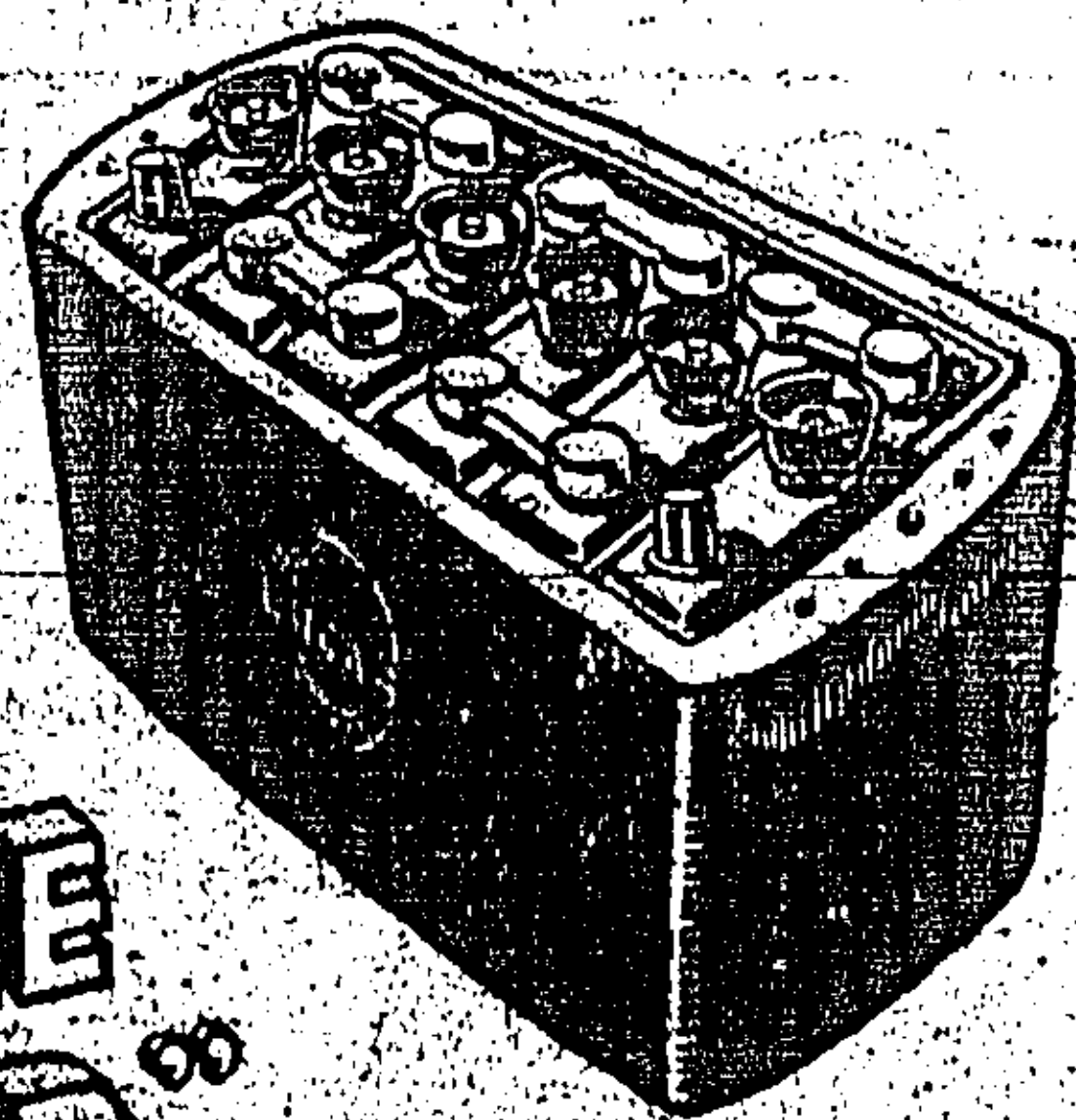
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JAPAN NOW FEARS PUSH FROM NORTH

(By OTTO D. TOLISCHUS)

PREPARATIONS FOR the American-British-Soviet military conference in Moscow have caused Japan's political interest to shift from the dangers of a further southward advance to the menace in the north. The Japanese view is summed up by the newspaper Hoshi as follows:

"We cannot remain indifferent to the report of an understanding reached between Britain, the United States and the Soviet Union for the allotment of war materials, because such an understanding will have the greatest influence not only on the Axis States grouped around Germany and Italy in Europe but also upon Soviet-Japanese relations.

"The Soviet Union's participation in the joint front with Britain and the United States, as manifested by the proposed Moscow conference, indicates the Soviet has fallen into the crafty manoeuvres of Britain.

If anything should happen to impair Soviet-Japanese relations, which have greatly improved since the conclusion of the neutrality pact, the responsibility will rest with the Kremlin."

See Full Encirclement

According to Captain Hideo Hiraide, navy spokesman, Japan and the United States are already at war economically; with the United States trying to cut off Japan's access to strategic raw materials. Furthermore, he says, the United States and Britain have completed their encirclement of the front side of Japan by naval and air bases running from the Aleutian Islands in the north to Australia, with Singapore as the central base for military operations by Britain, the United States, Netherlands Indies, Australia and China.

Captain Hiraide suspects the United States is seeking bases in Siberia and China in return for aid to the Soviet and Chungking, completing the encirclement from the rear.

"A step further," Captain Hiraide warns, "and Japan will be driven to make a decision involving her life or death. No nation with any legitimate claim to life can be expected to accept its doom without question or a struggle."

He further declares the United States underestimates Japan's strength and adds:

"If foreign people had a correct idea of Japan's real power they would never think of challenging her."

Commander Tasnro, of the Navy Ministry's publicity department declared before a gathering of Japanese newspaper and magazine writers:

"Our imperial navy is fully resolved to undergo all privations for the sake of the nation, come what may our imperial navy has passed the stage of dependence on foreign assistance and has advanced to the position where it must win all necessary domination of the sea."

Alleged Interview

Considerable interest also was evoked in Japan by an alleged interview with Lieut. Gen. Daniel Van Voorhis, commander of the United States Army in the Caribbean area and Canal Zone, cabled to the newspaper Yomiuri by Juji Kasai, member of Parliament, who is touring South America with a parliamentary delegation. According to Mr. Kasai, General Voorhis said:

"The preparations of the United States to fight Germany are now complete. We shall enter the European war before long. We have no quarrel with Japan, but we are determined to fight until Hitler is defeated. We must oppose any country that aids our enemy."

The newspaper Miyako says: "There is no denying that Britain and the United States actually aim at stirring up the Soviet to prolong the Soviet-German war and thus reduce the Germans' strength for their attack against Britain and to guarantee Anglo-American security with the Soviet

DYING, HE DID HIS JOB

A man slipped on a piece of coal while at work and fell against some revolving machinery.

The machinery tore off his left arm and shoulder blade. He was bleeding heavily.

But he made his way down a ladder, then down five flights of eleven stairs each and switched off the electric current to stop the machinery.

This story of amazing fortitude was told at the inquest at Lewis-ham on Hugh James Pestell, 38, of Bourne-way, Hayes, Kent.

He worked at Woolwich Arsenal where the accident occurred.

After switching off the current he collapsed and was taken to hospital, where he survived for seventeen days.

Dr. Abraham said at the inquest that no man could have been expected to survive more than a day after such an accident.

He said Pestell was one in a hundred and had marvellous vitality and health.

Accidental death was the verdict.

SACK 'EM! P.M. TOLD

"We cannot tolerate a wait-and-see policy. Though a profound admirer of Mr. Churchill, I say to him: Get rid now of those small-minded mediocrities who still encumber some of our higher and lower posts."

This plea was made by Captain J. Henderson Stewart, M.P. for East Fife, in a local War Weapons Week speech.

"The Prime Minister had better change his Government of speckled talent if he does not wish to suffer the fate of Asquith in 1916," added Captain Henderson Stewart.

"We are entitled to an assurance that the Government will use the resources offered wisely and effectively. There are many of us not satisfied with the proof so far offered."

"We are being beaten in the Mediterranean because of dithering strategy, bungling organisation and appalling lack of foresight. Greece was bad enough, but Crete was worse."

as a bulwark to keep Japan in check by disturbing her southward advance in the Orient."

Such an attitude, says the newspaper, is "more laughable than foxy or sly." It then warns:

"If the peace and tranquillity of the Japan Sea, which is literally Japanese territorial waters, should be disturbed by such Anglo-American operations it goes without saying that Japan could not tolerate such developments."

P.M.G. BUYS BACK STAMPS IN CHUNKS

Irretrievable recovered from bombed buildings have been sheets of postage stamps, the gum of which has melted joining the sheets into compact boards.

Experts can assess their value, and 5 per cent. is charged to owners for repurchase by the Post Office.

MIRACLE OF SURGERY FOR BABY'S LIFE

A wonder operation — first in this country — has been performed in a bid to save the life of the newly-born baby of Mrs. Ernest Raymond, wife of the novelist.

Mrs. Raymond gave her blood to help the surgeons, and the operation took place at Middlesex Hospital, London, when the baby was only 72 hours old.

Shortly after birth the child had been found to be suffering from jaundice. Its condition was critical.

Te one hope lay in removing the spleen—a task, it is believed never before attempted in this country on one so young.

A Middlesex Hospital official told a reporter:—So far as we can discover, this operation has never been performed outside the United States, where it is rare.

"When Mrs. Raymond was told of the baby's condition she gave a blood transfusion, and later two other donors gave blood."

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MOTIF OF VICTORY

Beethoven did not know the Morse code. But he wrote in it. By the sheerest and yet most appropriate coincidence possible, he employed as a rhythmic pattern in the first movement of his Fifth Symphony what any telegrapher would recognise as the Morse symbol for the letter V.

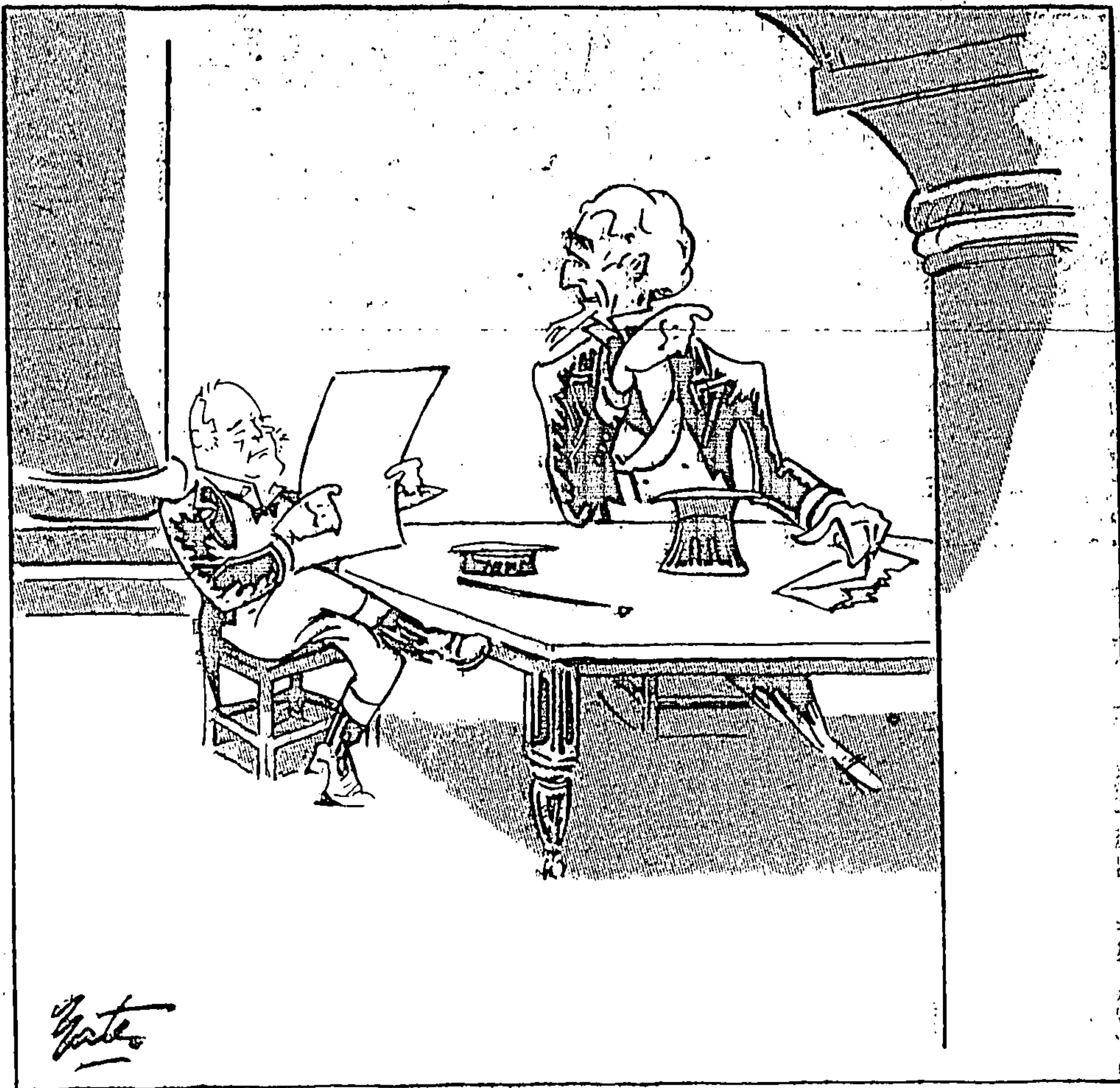
There are two coincidences here, one of them obvious and of no importance. The letter V is the Roman equivalent of the figure 5, but what matters more is that V has become in France and other occupied countries a symbol of ultimate victory over the Nazi terror. It is written on walls and elsewhere to catch the eye of Nazi overseers. It is ubiquitous. So many V's have appeared as to suggest some sort of underground organisation. As long ago as April this newspaper reported on this movement.

Now, like an increasingly unruly child, V is not only going to be seen but heard. For victims of Nazi ambition are now learning to spell it out in dots and dashes, dot-dot-dot-dash. They can even sing or whistle it, to the first four notes of the world's most familiar symphony. If Frenchmen do this as often as sentiment prompts they will reproduce most of the symphony's first movement, which is based on a constant reiteration of dot-dot-dot-dash motifs, one set overlaying another in crescendos sometimes expressive of an increasing fury, as of suppressed peoples.

Nazis seem apprehensive over this secret weapon. They are trying to cause confusion by adopting V as a symbol of Nazi victory. But those who write or sound V for freedom can, as "Colonel V. Britton" has suggested in a broadcast naming July 20 as "V Day," leave the confusion "where it belongs—in Berlin."

The Nazis may find themselves in a veritable vortex of sounds dearly familiar to German ears but ill attuned to Nazi theories. Beethoven would never have been a Nazi. The story of his disillusion with Napoleon is twice told: how the composer had dedicated his "Eroica" Symphony to the military genius of the French Revolution only to destroy the dedication page when Napoleon began to act like a Hitler.

Beethoven would have been no more impressed



THAT'S ALL RIGHT, BUT WHAT DOES THE JAPANESE ARMY SAY?

Ferrying For The R.A.F.

"Calling Mr. Chang. Calling Mr. Chang. Will you please go to Operations Room immediately? You are required for a cross-country flight."

Mr. Chang—nobody knows him by any other name—rose from a deep armchair in the rest room at the aerodrome and went off to report to Operations Room.

This tall, charming nephew of General Chiang Kai-shek, Commander of the Chinese Army, is one of 200 pilots of the Air Transport Auxiliary, which has commandeered this station. They have relieved R.A.F. pilots of the task of transporting planes from manufacturers to R.A.F. stations. This means two flights, with this aerodrome as the intermediate stage. Planes come from the factories without armaments and other necessary fittings. Here they are fitted and flown on to the R.A.F.

A day among these pilots, such as I spent, is equal to a round-the-world trip. There are Poles, Czechs, Frenchmen, Americans, an Indian and a Spaniard, as well as English men and women.

One Hand, One Eye

I chatted over a cup of tea with one of the Poles. He was formerly one of several pilots of Lockheed air-liners operating from Warsaw. With two others, he decided to leave for Britain when it became apparent that the fall of Poland was inevitable. Each took one of the air-liners and without maps or other guides, except compasses, flew across Germany and France to Britain. "One of my companions has been killed since in a flying accident," he told me.

with Nazi ventures. One feels he would be glad to know that the motif of "fate knocking at the door," with which his Symphony V opens, has been turned into a motif of the inevitable knocking ominously on doors and windows wherever Nazi oppressors pass by.

Many of the Englishmen were pilots in the Royal Flying Corps during the last war. One of them, Capt. Keith Jopp, is the only man with a complete disability pension from the last war who is still flying. With only one hand and one eye, he transports anything from a Spitfire to a Wellington bomber.

There are others, much younger, with the necessary flying qualifications for the A.T.A.—50 hours and an "A" pilot's licence—who cannot pass the physical tests for the R.A.F.

The leader of the women is Miss Pauline Gower, who was a close friend of the late Miss Amy Johnson.

By
A 'Yorkshire
Post' Reporter

son, who was also in the A.T.A. and was ferrying a plane when killed.

Five Examinations

The Americans are mostly ex-air-liner pilots. One of them, Charlie Smith, owned several planes himself and flew hunters to all parts of the American continent.

There are five examinations which every man must pass. He begins with light types and goes on to single-engine training and operational types, such as Spitfires. When through these he is a junior officer.

From there to the big stuff—light twins, such as Ansons and Oxforas; heavy twins—Wellington and Whitley bombers—and finally, the biggest and largest bombers—Halifaxes, Manchesters and Stirlings. When he can fly all, he is made a senior officer.

I was taken on a tour of the school, drome and flying field by one of the pilots, Dr. M. Whitthurst, who was Medical Officer at Brooklands race track before the war.

Our first call was at the Operations Room, where pilots receive their orders for the first flights of the day. "Mr. Smith, drive to factory X and pick up a Spitfire," or "Senior Silvario, take a Magister (a training aircraft) to aerodrome Y."

Each pilot nodded and went off to the maps and signals room. Spread out on the table was a large, secret map of Britain. The station is allowed only this one copy, showing the channels of flight across Britain, which these ferry pilots must use. Aerodromes, balloon-barrages and A.A. batteries are marked as danger spots to be avoided, for if venturing near a pilot is likely to be taken for hostile aircraft and fired on.

This, I was assured, does not happen often, but one man told me of an occasion when he went only slightly off his course over the sea and was given a hot firey minutes by one of our battleships. "Which only shows how smart our Navy is," was his comment.

New Minister

The day was a special one for the pilots, ground mechanics, and work-shop men, for the new Minister of Aircraft Production, Lt. Col. J. T. C. Moore-Brabazon, was paying them a visit. After he had toured the station they gathered on the tarmac to hear him talk to them "as a father," being one of the first men to fly an aeroplane. I stood between a begrimed, overalled fitter and a millionaire pilot, director of a large London company.

"One of the tragedies of the world," Lt. Col. Moore-Brabazon told them, "is that mechanical science outstrips political ambition. We see to-day an exhibition of the prostitution of one of the greatest inventions of the age. Thus I find myself in a job that is the bloodiest, most damnable and most terrifying possible."

"But it is a job to be done. Soon by the help of our engineers, scientists and the R.A.F., that innocent red, white and blue on our machines will be seen throughout Europe, to inspire terror in those with guilty consciences. Its effect will be not only physical but such as to finish this conflict."

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PRISONS IN FRANCE REVEAL STRUGGLE

(By JAY ALLEN)

(An American war correspondent here tells the story of his arrest and imprisonment for four months by the German forces in occupied France and discloses information he gleaned from other prisoners and Nazi guards).

THE "LINE OF DEMARCATION" between occupied France and the part called free is one of the most interesting features of the Franco-German armistice agreement of June, 1940.

Originally, it was only what its name indicates. But it has been developed into a device for squeezing Vichy.

In March, when this correspondent crossed it en route to Paris and got caught on his way out, the squeeze was on. Admiral Francois Darlan, Vichy's Vice Premier, had not yet won the full confidence of the German Government, which was still sulking over the dismissal of Pierre Laval on Dec. 13. The line was to all intent closed to the passage of persons, goods and money. German customs guards had been brought in to replace soldiery, who were both careless and corruptible. They brought police dogs and began setting land mines at night.

The very existence of the demarcation line is a challenge to the French, who are an ingenious race. Most everybody has his favourite combination for smuggling letters. Thousands of persons manage to slip through every day. The French have been used to moving freely in their own country and the habit is hard to break.

A Few Pay With Their Lives

Perhaps one in 10,000 pays with his life. A friend of mine, an army officer, father of six children, was brought down on the line near Chalon while I was in jail there. Perhaps one in 5,000 gets a wound; we had several lads in the infirmary with legs or arms shattered by explosive bullets.

For every person who is caught on the line fifty to a hundred get through. The penalty when you are caught is two to three weeks in jail or a fine of from 500 francs to whatever you happen to have on you. For letters you can get anything from one to twenty months.

Regardless of whether the squeeze is on or off, American correspondents in Vichy cannot get passes for the occupied zone, not even those among them who have proved their sympathy for Laval, Darlan and Franco-German "collaboration."

So Kenneth Downs of International News and I arranged for a quiet trip to Paris. In Vichy where there are something like 250 agents of the Gestapo, you don't mention such plans. In Lyon we picked up Paul Thiriet, one-time assistant to Pertinax on the Echo de Paris, who, because of this connection and his candid expressions of opinion, had been forbidden to practice his profession in Vichy. He has since managed to leave France.

From Lyon we took one of the several taxi services to the line. The Germans seem to know about these and occasionally send a Gestapo man with a party to see who is along. Sometimes arrests are made and sometimes not. We drove to St. Eusebe, a hamlet in the free zone some two kilometers from the line and eight from the nearest railroad station, in Montchanin.

There we met our guides — called passeurs — two Polish miners who had established a monopoly in the region by denouncing their French competitors to the Germans. There were eight in our party and we paid 100 francs a head. Prices for guides go as high as 2,000 francs.

Our guides knew the routine of the German patrol that cycled back and forth along some ten kilometres of the highway bordering the Saone-Loire Canal that at Montchanin is the line. They led us down a lane and across a field behind a screen of trees out of sight — or so we hoped — of a German post a thousand yards away on a hillside commanding the whole area.

German Soldiers Not Interested

We found a favourable opening, crossed the canal by the lock

gate and were onto the highway — in occupied France. Our job now was to set back our watches an hour, since occupied France is on Central European time and the customs guards always ask the time of their suspects. Our job was to reach the road into Montchanin before the patrol came back.

We passed German soldiers who must have guessed that we had just crossed, for we were smeared with mud, but none seemed interested in us. From Montchanin we took a branch line to Chagny. There the Lyon-Paris express arrived with only the crew on board; all of the passengers had been taken off at Chalon-sur-Saone for "verification" of their passes.

By the time we reached Paris, German soldiers against the French landscape had ceased to be a novelty. Since we confined our conversation to French, of a sort, they paid no attention to us. We arrived in Paris at 11 at night.

Mr. Downs and I had come in together because we thought that we would be a comfort to each other if jailed. But he had orders to get to Syria at the earliest possible moment. He and M. Thiriet got back safely across the line at Montchanin. I missed my clipper thereafter.

I went everywhere, or almost, in the nine days I stayed in Paris. I avoided friends and particularly the American correspondents, thinking that they might be watched. It would seem that their movements are pretty much circumscribed.

Later on, in the months I spent in Chalon prison, only one, George Axelsson, of "The New York Times," an old friend, was able to get down to see me.

Notes On The Nazi Administration

I left Paris on the night of March 12, loaded with German propaganda in French and with a fat notebook filled with information of a kind that the resident correspondents cannot send if they want to stay on in Paris, which they are supposed to do.

There were data on the food situation, most of which is no longer timely, since the movement in this country to feed France seems to have subsided. There were facts, chapter and verse, on the orgy of graft in the German administration, with a price list of the officers in key positions in various fields. The amusement, industry and the issuing of passes for the free zone offer the fattest rewards.

There were data on the sorry condition of the French industrialists, many of them passionate Germanophiles before, who now see their businesses bought up by the Germans with francs from the 400,000,000 paid over daily by the French Treasury for "occupation expenses." It is estimated that not more than half of this sum is actually spent on the upkeep of the army of occupation.

The next morning, March 13, in Montchanin disaster awaited me. I was later to discover that there was a new order in effect that day all along the line to arrest everybody who looked as though he did not belong in the community as a potential client of some local smuggler. I had intended to hand over my things, my notebook particularly, to my passeur, whom I was to meet in a cafe. He was to make a special trip across the line with it and I was to cross innocent of any writings.

The cafe I found closed. There had been a raid the night before. My passeur was waiting for me in prison at Chalon, denounced. I learned, by his French rivals,

FIFTH COLUMN SUSPECTED

Murder under mysterious circumstances of a park ranger, one of several guards on the international wireless station in Mexico City, is believed to be fifth column work.

Called upon by a very tough customs guard to show my papers, I produced something that might have been acceptable, but his orders were to pick up all outsiders, regardless. My firm denial that I had come from Paris or that I had any intention of crossing the line failed to impress him.

From Monceau To Chalon

My hours in the cooler in Monceau I will remember. I was caught. The Germans had not discovered yet what they had. I knew that their envelope containing my effects would not be examined until we got to Chalon-sur-Saone the next day.

They would find a notebook with material most unflattering to them, an address book into which I had written the initials and the addresses of a number of friends in the occupied zone, and a five-page typewritten report on things in general that a French friend had handed me at the station. Not intending to have any of this on me when I crossed the line, I had not read this report; only later was I to find out how bad it was.

I saw myself facing some very ugly charges. Worst of all, I had endangered my "friends" whose addresses were in my book. Most of them were in awkward situations. I had hoped to help them, and now, through my stupidity, I had handed them over to the Gestapo.

The Germans came for us next morning at 6 in an army truck. We were sixteen. They were two, the driver and a soldier. The envelopes with our effects were with us in an open box. A Netherlander, squeezed in next to me, suggested that he "jostle" the soldier, grab our envelopes, and run for it in open country before reaching Chalon. Later I learned he had been caught with military information sewn in his necktie. He was sent to a fortress in Germany.

At Chalon our entry aroused no interest. For over a year now the sight of army trucks packed with civilian prisoners has been a common sight. Every penitentiary and town-jail in France is packed. They are divided into two sections, "German Authority" and "French Authority."

Chalon prison, built in the early nineteenth century for eighty men, now houses close to 200 on the German side and almost as many on the French, what with the numerous arrests, on order from Vichy, of political nonconformists.

Chance In The Examination

After about an hour I was called into the office, where sat a bald-headed adjutant with a cheerful, fat face, flanked by an Alsatian interpreter, a sergeant and a corporal.

I told my story. I had gone from Paris to Montchanin to meet a friend coming up from Vichy by car with a German border pass. Together we were to drive along the German side of the demarcation line, he to take pictures and I to do a story. No, I had not intended to cross.

The sergeant, who had not followed the conversation in French, apparently interpreted the adjutant's good humour as proof that everything was all right and showed my effects across the table to me. I picked up my notebook and slipped it casually into my overcoat pocket.

The Alsatian interpreter was reading the typewritten report given to me by my friend in Paris. "Very interesting," this document," he said, and I heard (Continued on Page 9)

U-BOATS SCURRY WHEN "CATS" FLY OVER

IT'S WORSHIP
AS USUAL

Claimed to be the first bombed English church to be fully restored, St. Peter's Church, Fulham, was in use again the other day. It was badly hit last autumn, but the parishioners promptly gave £400 for repairs.

PRISONS IN FRANCE REVEAL STRUGGLE

(Continued from Page 8)

him add in German to the adjutant, "a Gaullist tract." You can get two to ten years in occupied France for having Gaullist propaganda on your person.

The adjutant ceased to smile and put his arm out to cover my things on the table. No one seemed to have noticed that my notebook was gone.

I was sent outside to await a decision. When a guard had his back turned I dropped half my loose-leaf notebook through a manhole. The other half was about to follow when adjutant, guards and interpreter came for me.

New Notes For The Germans

I was taken to a cell and there tore what was left of my notes into tiny pieces, dropping them into the open toilet.

I spent a busy afternoon. There was a sheaf of loose-leaf paper left in my notebook. With it I prepared a new set of notes. For I was sure that the disappearance of my notebook would be discovered and resented. My new notes were interesting but not very timely. They revealed a mind more interested in art and philosophy than in German pillage, graft and like shoddiness. They were, in fact, flattering for the Germans, these new notes, though not too flattering.

Then came my second good break. A French shirtmaker who was in the same cell was released next morning. His documents were handed back to him. Among them was my small black address book with the names of my friends in Paris.

We had been searched together at Montchanin and somebody had made a mistake. The address book followed my notes through the ancient plumbing of Chalon prison.

I found the Gestapo charming. Others found them less so — with reason. They were housed in a pleasant villa requisitioned from an evidently prosperous doctor. In what had been his office, I was questioned by a blond and pompous young captain wearing the black and white ribbon of the Iron Cross.

Air Cleared With Gestapo

The time had come to tell all. So I confessed that I had come into the occupied zone fraudulently, without papers of any kind had hoped to recross the line in the same way. This definitely cleared the air.

On the table I saw my effects, my notebook and all. The interpreter read the first page of the five-page report given to me by my careless friend in Paris.

At that moment the captain and his silent assistant were called out. The interpreter got up and went over to a drink fountain. It was then that my eye fell on the last two pages of the report — or rather it was then the last two pages sprang at me from the table.

First, a paragraph underlined

(By A Correspondent Aboard A Catalina Flying Boat, On Atlantic Patrol)

"AIRCRAFT AHEAD!" The pilot's curt announcement and the shriek of the alarm horn transformed the laughing group of twenty-year-olds aboard the American-made Royal Air Force patrol plane into fighting men with itching trigger fingers.

The youth from London stopped slicing bread in his capacity as utility cook and crawled into the tail to man the rear machine gun. The port and starboard gunners in their "blisters" on the sides of the craft unlimbered their guns. The observer rushed to man the forward gun.

For the first time this correspondent felt that a grandstand seat in the Battle of the Atlantic was not exactly comfortable.

Through binoculars the plane two miles ahead looked like any other plane, but the pilot said it was a two-motored Dornier 115.

The Catalina kept on its course, but the danger passed. Apparently the plane ahead was on reconnaissance and didn't want to fight. The crew members were disappointed.

The crews love their "cats," praise their maneuverability and damn their long range. Catalinas can fly so far and so long that

in red. In it my friend gave the location of a dozen or so cement factories in the north of France working, he said, on orders for defensive coastal fortifications, on which he gave precise details. Both factories and fortifications described in relation to landmarks that could be identified from the air.

On the last page, underlined in green, was a suggestion that "you know who" should be tipped off to bomb the cement plants. Very careless, my friend. I was to blame for not having read this report.

I placed my hand open on the table and then withdrew it, dragging the two pages with it. Let them fall on my lap and then quietly, lest they crackle, folded them and slipped them under my belt.

I made a brief formal statement and signed it. The captain said that the court-martial in Le Creusot would pass on my case in a couple of days.

The Court-Martial At Le Creusot

In Le Creusot I was parked for a time with the German equivalent of our military police. They introduced me to their police dog who I was told brought in an average of two smugglers a day. I got a huge platter of roast pork and, boiled potatoes, a German soldier's ration. The French people often go weeks without any meat at all.

After lunch I was taken to a requisitioned villa on a hillside overlooking Schneider's vast arms plant. There was a sign over the gate "Kriegsgericht" (court-martial).

There, for seven hours, I was interrogated politely but so cleverly that I was glad that I didn't have to sustain an elaborate lie.

The judge-advocate spent an hour piecing together a mass of torn letters and notebooks that the customs guard in Montchanin had gathered up as mine. He took my word as to what was mine and what wasn't.

He asked me solemnly if I had realized what risks I was running when I chose to come into the occupied zone without papers. I said that I had checked and found that the average "strafe" was two weeks. With an unpleasant smile he said, "I could give you up to two years."

Then he added, "Or more than that for espionage."

I told him my reasons for going into the occupied zone — to see for myself where I might have relied on second-hand information furnished in Vichy, most of it unflattering to the Germans. He said, "And what you saw for yourself was not unflattering?"

I pointed to my notebook — the one I had faked. The judge-advocate was not displeased by its contents.

patrols average eighteen to twenty hours. The Catalina which spotted the German battleship Bismark was in the air twenty-seven hours.

Particular Job

Our particular job was to look for submarines and other signs of the enemy. But Catalinas — many of whose crews fly a distance each week comparable to four crossings of the Atlantic — are used also for submarine "strikes" and as convoy escorts.

When sent on "strike" the twin-engined planes are out to sink submarines, not merely report them. They fly where submarines have been reported and go after them with anti-submarine devices and explosives.

On escort duty, Catalinas supply almost twenty-four-hour air protection for convoys in the dangerous sea approaches to Great Britain. On patrol duty Catalinas reduce the effectiveness of submarines. German commanders keep their craft submerged when planes appear.

New Time Record

The crew members said that since the Catalinas have been operating over the Atlantic submarines have established a new time record for crash dives of thirty-two seconds. Some U-boats have dived with men on deck, they told, sacrificing them in their haste. How many submarines have been sunk by Catalinas cannot be reported, but it may be said that the number is constantly increasing.

Patrol crews have time occasionally to think up wild schemes. The pilot told one.

"The idea is," he said, "to throw green paint into the ocean where a submarine is reported. Later, when the submarine comes to the surface, the paint will cover the periscope and the commander will think he is still under water and keep on rising."

"When the submarine reaches an altitude of about 2,000 feet, we will come along and shoot him down."

SHIPPING LOSSES STILL TOO HIGH

"The Times" publishes a graph, analysing British mercantile shipping losses of the past 30 months, and comparing these with losses in 1917-18.

The graph shows that the enemy has not succeeded in this war in reaching the rate of shipping destruction achieved in April, 1917, when Britain lost 550,000 tons.

Nevertheless, says "The Times," the rate of destruction in this war has been about half of the 1917 peak level of the past year. That level, it says, indicates a dangerous situation which was not in hand up to June.

However, a fall in the curve, recently, indicates the beginning of an improvement. It is to be hoped the improvement will be maintained, but the public is not to know that because regular figures will no longer be issued.



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Very often the correct play of a hand is to ruff your losers in the dummy and set up your own, but occasionally the process must be reversed. Then you must ruff dummy's losers in your own hand, treating the dummy as the master hand and your own hand as the ordinary sort of dummy. For example:

South, Dealer
North-South vulnerable

NORTH		EAST	
♠	J 10 9 8	♠	7 6 4 3
♥	J 8 7 3	♥	9 6 5 2
♦	—	♦	J 4 3
♣	K Q J 9 8	♣	5 2

WEST		SOUTH	
♠	2	♠	A K Q 5
♥	A K Q 10	♥	4
♦	A Q 8 6 2	♦	K 10 9 7 5
♣	6 4 3	♣	A 10 7

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♦	Dbl.	2♠	Pass
2♠	Pass	4♠	Pass
6♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

South's bidding was optimistic, but he was helped by West's defence. West opened the King of hearts and then continued with the heart Queen. That gave South the chance to make his contract. He noted that setting up his own hand would be difficult if not impossible, but that dummy was already set up except for the hearts. The slam would be made if he could ruff out all of dummy's losing hearts, then draw trumps from the dummy, and run the clubs.

West had assisted South by leading two rounds of hearts, but South would still have to get to dummy three times more: twice to lead hearts for ruffing, and once to draw trumps and run the clubs. The three entries were easy to find — two in clubs and one in trumps.

South therefore ruffed the second heart with the spade Queen and led the low trump to dummy's eight. Another heart was ruffed by the spade King, and dummy was entered via the eight of clubs. Dummy's last heart was then ruffed by the Ace of trumps, and dummy was entered for the last time with the Jack of clubs. Dummy's trumps were then led out, drawing all of East's trumps — and South took care to discard the Ace of clubs so as not to block that suit. From there on, dummy had only winning tricks.

Yesterday you were Howard Schenken's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you held:

♠	A K 10 9 7 6
♥	A 9 4
♦	K 10 4 2
♣	—

The bidding:

Jacoby	You	Maler	Schenken
1♠	Dbl.	Pass	2♦
Pass	2♠	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♠	Pass	4♦
Pass	6♠	Pass	6♠
Pass	(?)	Pass	—

ANSWER: Pass. You have invited a slam; your partner has accepted the invitation, and that is the end of the matter. To make another bid would constitute the worst sort of trapping.

Score 100% for pass, 0 for any other bid.

Question No. 810

To-day you hold the same hand, but the bidding is different:

Jacoby	You	Maler	Schenken
1♠	Dbl.	1♦	Dbl.
Pass	(?)	—	—

What do you bid? (Answer to-morrow.)

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ARMS SOUGHT ON VASTER SCALE

FACED WITH REQUESTS from Russia for enormous quantities of war supplies, and urged by Lord Beaverbrook, British Supply Minister, to send Britain "more and more of everything," Washington officials said the defence production programme must be expanded from beginning to end.

This means not only the acceleration of procurement and manufacture but also enlargement of the whole concept of "all-out" aid to the anti-Axis allies, these officials explained.

Steps toward meeting this test are expected to follow shortly after the return to Washington of President Roosevelt, who discussed the allied supply problem in detail in his meeting at sea with Prime Minister Churchill.

One of the first moves, officials predict, will be a request from the President to Congress for a new appropriation to finance aid to Britain, Russia and China under the lease-lend programme. Estimates of the probable new fund run all the way from \$6,000,000,000 to \$10,000,000,000.

New Financing Is Proposed

The actual necessities would mean the larger sum and even more, informed persons stated, but plans for different methods of financing have been suggested that may cut the actual out-of-the-Treasury appropriation below that amount. Even with this, however, the American aid programme may be expected to necessitate the appropriation of many more billions if carried through to the end that responsible officials now foresee.

In their view it will require much more than billions in money. It will necessitate first of all the organisation of American economy on a more complete war basis, whether we enter the "shooting" war or not, and the diversion of the plant capacity of the country from peace-time to wartime manufacture on a scale that defence planners and lease-lend handlers do not believe the public has yet imagined.

The concept of the task has been growing precipitately in Washington since the arrival of Lord Beaverbrook. The British supply chief continued his conferences with defence production officials. He conferred for a short time also with Secretary of State Cordell Hull at the State Department, where he was accompanied by Viscount Halifax, British Ambassador.

Lord Beaverbrook had been tentative to discuss the details of his conferences, other than to say he was using this means to thank officials for their cooperation in extending lease-lend aid and to request of them every tank, aeroplane and ton of supplies the United States can possibly send to England.

The most obvious result of his visit to date was the impression he made on officials of the magnitude of the task before them if they are to supply an appreciable part of the munitions needed to keep Britain, Russia and China against the onslaughts of Germany, Italy and Japan.

Vast Soviet Needs Listed

Lord Beaverbrook's talks were said to be more impressive because they supplemented representations made by Constantine A. Oumansky, Russian Ambassador, concerning the probable munition needs of his country. Mr. Oumansky is said to proceed on the assumption that Russia will be in the war for many months, and consequently has submitted lists of needed items which officials describe as "perfectly enormous."

The Administration is understood to be revising its new lease-lend programme to include substantial aid to Russia, although officials concede that assistance to the Soviet presents difficulties and risks, both technical and political.

Moreover, the Administration does not stop with the matter of

supplies to the non-Axis allies in its non-belligerent participation in the war for "destruction of Hitlerism." The Economic Defence Board has been set up to study other economic steps that may be taken toward this goal. Vice President Wallace, the chairman, confirmed reports that this group was already working on projects for exerting trade pressure on Japan and for aiding Free French territory in Africa. He declined, however, to go into detail as to the plans of the board.

SOLDIERS ON FARMS

The Army is to aid farmers.

Australian and New Zealand Forces, with farming experience, training in Britain, are to be drafted on to the land.

This will be part of the Ministry of Agriculture's coming drive to put still more acres under the plough.

Though most farm workers are reserved at 25, there is a tremendous shortage of men. In ten years 700,000 men have left the land.

The drafting of Dominions troops into farm work will not affect the Women's Land Army, which is still not big enough.

Extra Pay

The soldiers will do work too heavy for the women.

Commanding officers in rural areas are encouraged to allow the men in their command to do farm work in their spare time, for which they will receive extra pay.

An agreement has been in existence for some time where by Canadians can be put to forestry work and such like.

PLAN CHILD BONUSES

A family allowances scheme is to be considered by a Parliamentary committee. Five shillings a week for each child under the age of fifteen is the most popular proposal.

Action is expected before the war ends.

This plan is only part of a complete survey of social conditions to be made by an interdepartmental committee under the Minister Without Portfolio, with Sir William Beveridge as chairman.

Economic and social security for everyone is the aim. The upshot may be a complete reorganisation of health insurance, pensions, unemployment insurance, workmen's compensation and public assistance.

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HUSKINSON GOES BACK

"I feel like a little boy going back to school after his holidays," said Air Commodore Huskinson, our No. 1 back-room bomb scientist on his first day back at work since he was blinded in a London raid.

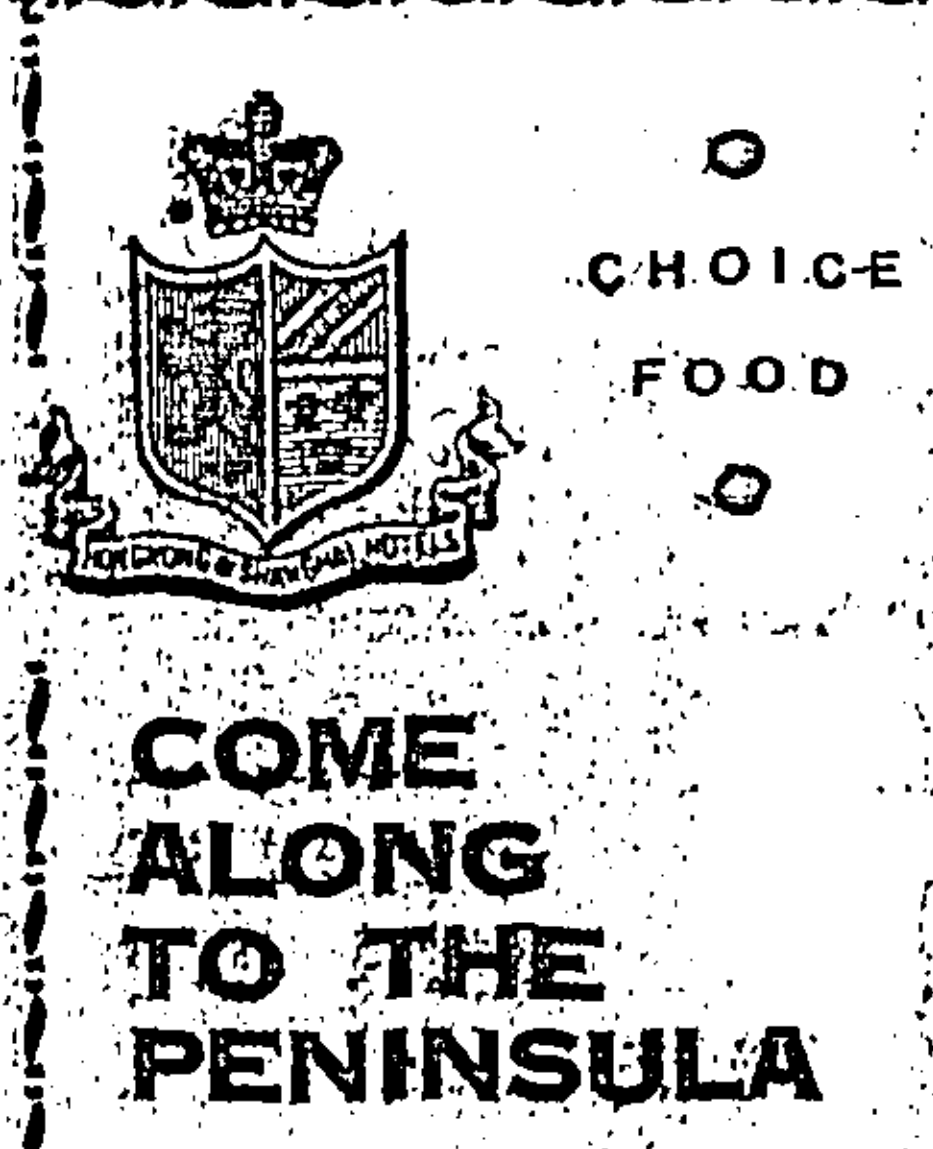
Commodore Huskinson is still barely able to distinguish figures or objects before him, and cannot yet see to read or write.

"But it's grand to be back at my desk again," he said before he started directing operations in the secret department of the Ministry of Aircraft Production.

He put in a full day's work, starting punctually at nine. Though up to now he has only removed his dark glasses to go to bed, he took them off in his office.

Important correspondence and papers were read to him, diagrams described, and he dictated several letters to a shorthand typist.

The three telephones which buzzed continually on his desk he answered himself.



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(from film "Cotton Club Parade")

Bloom; Waltz—Love Serenade

(from film "Let Freedom Ring")

Wright; Swing-Step—I'm Gettin'

Sentimental Over You (Washington-

Basse); Quick-Step—Shy (Strauss-

Date); Rumba—Green Eyes (Men-

deldez); Slow Fox-Trot—Once In A

While (Green Edwards); Waltz—

Giannina Mia (from film "Pinch")

Harbach-Frini); Quick-Step—In

The Middle Of A Dream (Swan-

Dorsey); Waltz—Love Never Grows

Old (Harry Parr-Davies).

1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Pro-

gramme Summary.

1.02 p.m.—Ken Harvey (Banjo) and

Harry Torran (Yodeller).

Melodies Of Yesterday—Intro: No-

body's Sweetheart; Whispering;

Avalon; Margie; China Town; I'll

See You In My Dreams; Indiana;

Somebody Stole My Gal.

On A Southern Plantation—Intro: Old

Black Joe; Oh! Suzanna; My Old

Kentucky Home; Dixie; Swanee

River; Waiting For The Robert E.

Lee; Ken Harvey with Piano.

Dan, Dan, The Yodelling Man (Tor-

ran); Sitting In A Jail House (Tor-

ran); Harry Torran & Guitar.

A Musical Journey From New York

To California—Intro: Give My Re-

gards To Broadway; Bye, Bye,

Blues; St. Louis Blues; California,

Here I Come. The World Is Wait-

ing For The Sunrise (Seltz); Ken

Harvey with Instr. Quartette.

Yodel All Day; Yodeller's Dream Girl

(Torran); Harry Torran & Guitar.

Doll Dance (Brown); Ken Harvey

with Orchestra.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press and

Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—Excerpts from Ivor Novello's

Shows.

"Careless Rapture"—Why Is There

Ever Good-bye; Studio Scene—A

Bit Of Opera (Novello); Ivor

Novello, Dorothy Dickson & Olive

Gilbert with Drury Lane Theatre

Orchestra.

"Careless Rapture"—The Miracle Of

Nichao—Temple Ballet Music

(Ivor Novello, arr. Charles Pre-

tice); Drury Lane Theatre Orch.

"The Dancing Years"—The Wings Of

Sleep (Novello-Hassall); Mary

Ellis & Olive Gilbert with Ivor

Novello (Piano) & Drury Lane

Theatre Orchestra.

"Glamorous Nights"—Shine Through

My Dreams; Trevor Jones (Tenor)

with Orchestra.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

6.00 p.m.—Indian Programme.

6.45 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quota-

tions.

6.47 p.m.—Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—South American Way; We

Can Live On Love (from "Streets

Of Paris"); Swing and Sway with

Sammy Kaye.

Tangos—Trapo Viejo; Horas Fugaces

Orquesta Tipica.

Fox-Trots—These Things You Left

Me; We Could Make Such Beautiful

Music; Wayne King & his Orch.

Slow Fox-Trots—Moonlight and

Mimosa; When I Dream Of Home

Joe Loss & his Orchestra.

Spanish Pasodoble—Abanicos Y Man-

tillas; Una Morena Y Una Rubia;

Don Rico & his Gypsy Girls' Orch.

Fox-Trots—Bless 'Em All; Good-

Morning Sergeant-Major; Lew

Stone & his Band.

Waltzes—Beautiful Ohio; Missouri

Waltz; Glenn Miller & his Orch.

7.30 p.m.—Portuguese Programme.

8.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

8.15 p.m.—London Relay—War Com-

mentary.

8.25 p.m.—London Relay—"Listening

Post". Examination of Points in

Daily German Propaganda.

8.30 p.m.—Programme Summary.

8.32 p.m.—New Variety.

Vocal—I'm Knee Deep In Daisies

(Ash, Shay, Goodwin); Cecilia

(Dreyer, Ruby); Whispering Jack

Smith with Orchestra.

Piano—Just One Of Those Things;

Just A Mood (Cole Porter); Gar-

land Wilson.

Vocal—Roundup Lullaby (Clark,

Rose); Bing Crosby with Orch.

Trio—When April Sings; Waiting In

The Clouds (both from film "Spring

Parade"); Albert Sandler; Trio.

Duets—A Medley Of Songs & Duets

by Anne Ziegler & Webster Booth;

Intro: Until; Love's Old Sweet

Song; I Hear You Calling Me; Two

Little Words; Deep In My Heart;

Dear; I'll Walk Beside You; I Give

You My Heart; I'll See You Again

with Orchestra.

9.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and An-

nouncements.

9.02 p.m.—Recital by Captain

Thompson (Bass) with E. O'Neill Shaw

at the Piano.

1. (a) O Isis and Osiris ("The Magic

Flute"—Mozart); (b) Quiet Night

(Schubert); (c) The Great Adven-

ture (Ferry-E., Fletcher); Cap-

tain Thompson (Bass) with Piano

accompaniment.

2. Selected Piano Solo... E. O'Neill

Shaw.

2. (a) Myself When Young ("In A

Perial Garden"—Lehmann); (b)

Hall; Musiel (Gould); Captain

Thompson (Bass) with Piano

accompaniment.

9.30 p.m.—Orchestral Selections.

The Immortals—Concert Overture

(Reginald King); The London

Symphony Orchestra—cond. by Wal-

ter Gellie.

Intermezzo from "Bajazzo" (Leon-

cavallo); St. Albans Opera Orchestra.

9.45-10.00 p.m.—News in French (on

Short Wave only).

9.45 p.m.—Coleridge-Taylor—"Otello"

Suite. The New Symphony Orchestra

conducted by Dr. Malcolm Sargent.

10.00 p.m.—London—The News—And

News Commentary.

10.15 p.m.—An Hour with Schubert.

Imromptu In E Flat Major, Op. 90,

No. 2; Elenco Joyoso (Piano Solo).

Serenade; De Groot (Violin), Gibri-

liero (Piano) and J. Sametini

Cello).

The Trout, Op. 32; Laughing and

Sollum Battle Ended In Draw

"THE BATTLE of Sollum ended in a draw," declares the Special Correspondent of "The Times" at Cairo.

"I can speak only of the Sollum battlefield—the coastal plain and the slopes of the escarpment. Owing to casualties among the war correspondents' transport, we were unable to follow the battle of tanks on the plateau, where enemy dive-bombers joined in at a heavy cost in men and machines.

"The first day's fighting before Sollum ended in our men disputing possession of the Halfaya (Hellfire Pass). At dawn next day, under cover of a heavy ground mist, our attack was renewed. Both the weather and the terrain suited the Highlanders, who formed the left flank. Within two hours the enemy was driven out of fortified positions at the head of the pass.

"Indian troops on the right encountered stronger opposition, and never did the pass so well deserve its lurid nickname as it did that day, when it echoed incessantly to the murderous challenge of machine-gun fire.

"Meanwhile, with the Highlanders holding the head of the pass, another column of our infantry, supported by a squadron of tanks, advanced along the ridge of the escarpment, where it sweeps in a vast semi-circle towards the headland behind Sollum.

"On this headland stands an old Egyptian barracks, gleaming white against the brown sand. The German garrison there, about a battalion strong, abandoned their position, and, with the town below no longer tenable, made their way along the shores of Sollum Bay to the mouth of Hellfire Pass. But there was no escape by the pass. The only hope was to withdraw to the beach and make a stand with their backs to the sea.

Tables Turned

"There was a certain grim, if short-lived, satisfaction in the knowledge that for once was the enemy called on to defend himself on a beach.

"Meanwhile, the Indians in Hellfire Pass, fighting tirelessly, made good progress, and a few Germans who had escaped death or capture manned isolated machine-guns on the western slopes of the pass. From these posts they kept up a harassing fire, which took a fairly heavy toll of the Indians.

"The front remained quiet throughout the night. From time

Weeping, Op. 59, No. 4... Kirsten Flagstad (Soprano) with Piano.
Marche Militaire... San Francisco Symphony Orchestra.
Andantino Varié (In B Minor, H. Moll) Op. 84, No. 1... Arthur Schnabel & Karl Ulrich Schnabel (Piano Duo).
Ave Maria—Priore A La Vierge... Jane Laval (Soprano) with Orch.
Symphony No. 4 in C Minor "Tragic"—1st Mov: Adagio molto; allegro vivace; 2nd Mov: Andante; 3rd Mov: Manuetto (Allegro vivace); 4th Mov: Allegro... The Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra of New York cond. by Barbirolli.
11.15 p.m.—Close down.

to time, the Germans on the beach below Sollum sent up Vercy lights.

"The next enemy counter-attack developed far to the south beyond Sidi Omar.

"A formidable Panzer (armoured), force sighted from the air was too good a chance for the R.A.F. to miss. Nine Blenheims, flying in tight formation from a height of 3,000 feet, scattered tanks and armoured forces in all directions.

Ten tanks were among the wreckage strewn on the desert, but the threat of an encircling movement was too serious to be ignored, and the order was given for a general withdrawal to our original positions.

"As our troops pulled back from the Hellfire Pass along the 'Via Mussolini', Panzer squadrons loomed over the coastal escarpment. They remained poised there for a moment, and then poured down the slopes like dark torrents and raced across the coastal plain—just too late."

BOYS CAPTURE NAZI

Three evacuee boys captured a wounded Nazi airman, and took him to a police station three miles away.

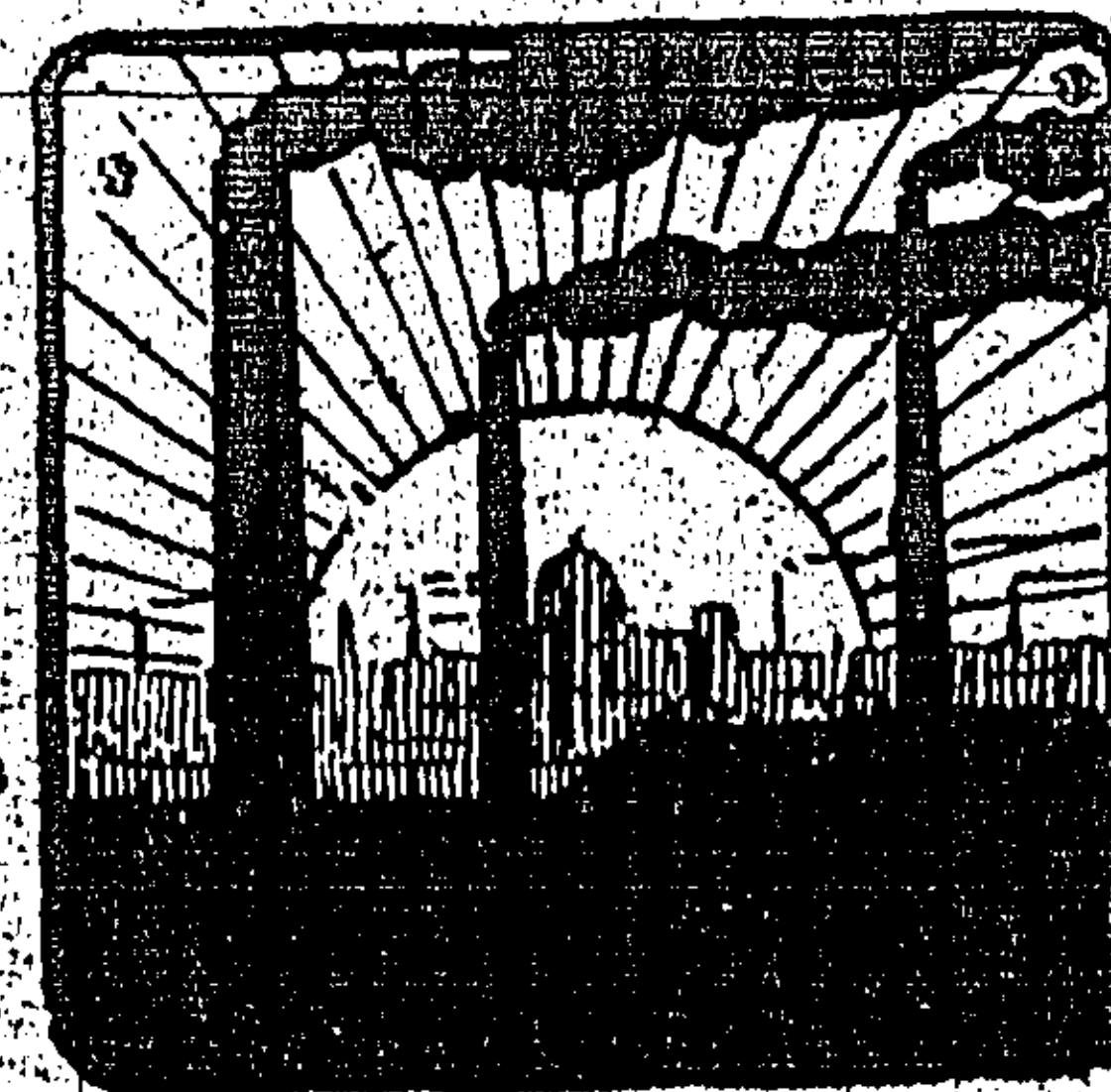
The boys, 17-year-old twins, Edward and David Smith and Desmond Mercer, aged 15, came across the airman after they had been to see the wreckage of his plane, one of the bombers shot down by our fighters at the night.

"We had driven about two miles on our homeward journey," they said, "when we saw the airman lying beside a lonely road, waving his arm feebly.

"He asked us for water, but someone else came along and gave him milk and cucumber sandwiches. He had a bad bullet wound in the leg, and had dressed the injury himself, making splints from pieces of wood he had found and binding these to his leg with pieces of his parachute cord.

"He had been crawling through the woodland ever since he was shot down, and was exhausted. He was obviously relieved to get into the car."

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VICHY IS FOR NAZISM

American and French conceptions of the world were pictured as completely opposed in a statement given to the American press in Paris by Fernand de Brinon, representative of the Vichy government in occupied France.

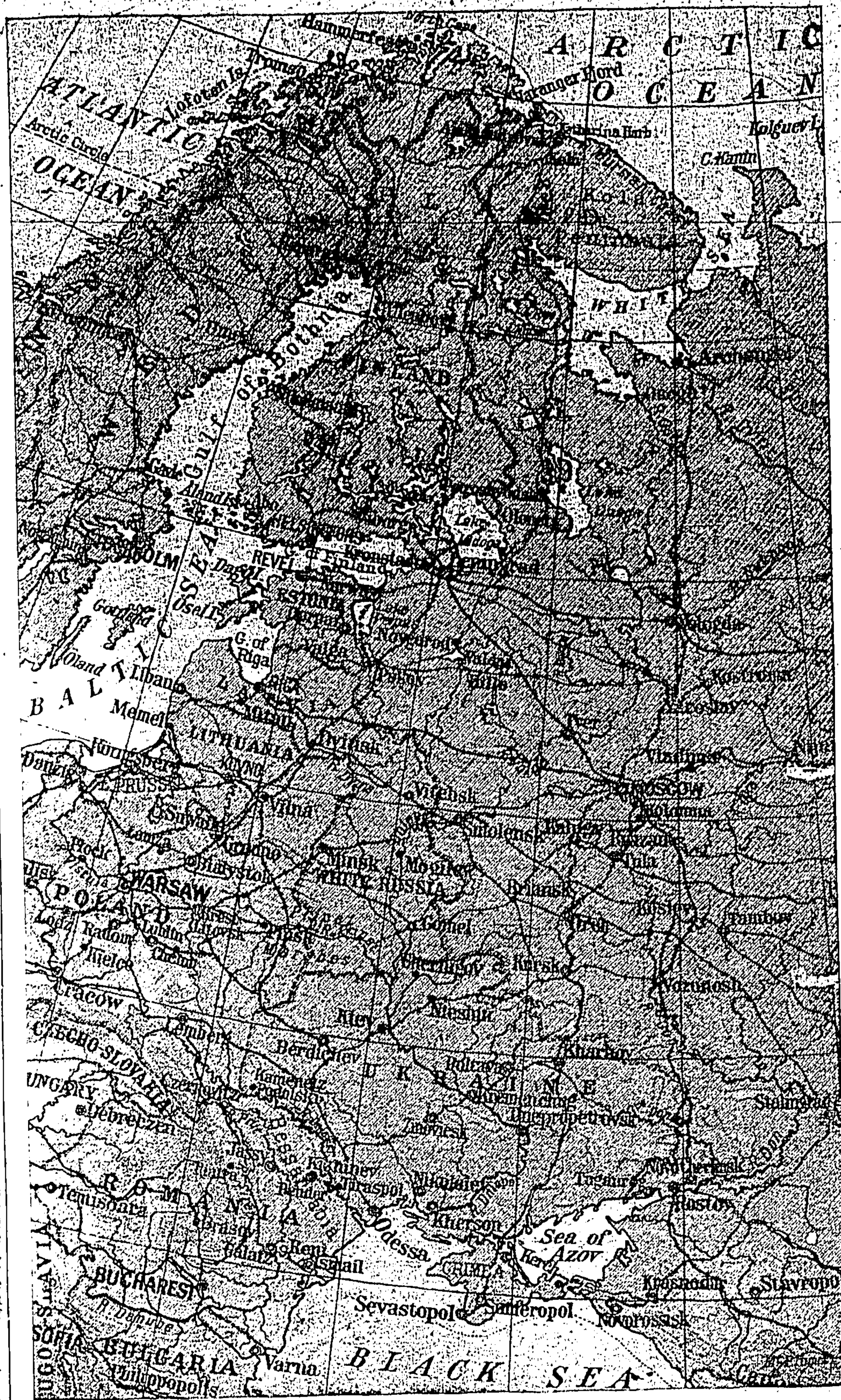
"One conception of the world is that of Great Britain, to which Roosevelt has subscribed," said M. de Brinon. "Another is based upon socialism of a national type, which means a new distribution of the wealth of the globe. The French Government considers that it is in the interests of France to espouse the latter conception and to work for its accomplishment."

M. de Brinon's statement was inspired by that of Under-Secretary of State Sumner Welles to a press conference concerning French policy over the defence of Indo-China. He said the misunderstanding with France arose from a fundamental difference of views, and he protested what he alleged was the effort of the United States Government to bring pressure upon France and to influence her policy.

"I understand very well," he said, "that each nation must be guided by its own interests. Eminent American personalities have come out openly against the National Revolution. Roosevelt has banished Fascism, National Socialism, the Spanish Falange and all other movements which have rejected the Marxist democracy."

"At the same time, in America they are taking unto themselves the right to forbid the French Government to collaborate politically with Germany, and are threatening France in the event of her disregard of these counsels. Such an attitude is unacceptable to the French people, which has the right to choose for itself its methods of recovery."

"Petain defined those methods when he decided to ask for an armistice and when he met the Fuehrer at Montoire. If Petain is of the opinion that parliamentary democracy has done a great deal of harm to France and should be considered a thing of the past, and if he has decided to seek every means of coming to an honourable understanding with the victor, that is his own business and not that of Mr. Roosevelt and Mr. Welles."



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BODY "LOST": BURIED BAGS OF SAND

THE WIDOW and other relatives of a man killed in a blitzed town somewhere in England followed a coffin to the graveside and saw it buried.

But a few days later it was found that the coffin contained only sandbags — placed there by the undertaker to save the family further anguish, since the body could not be found.

The story is one of official blundering. Three times the relatives made arrangements for the funeral, and each time the hearse arrived at the mortuary the body could not be found.

Various explanations were offered by the officials—that the body had been taken to another mortuary, that it had been confused with some other body.

Then the undertaker took matters into his own hands. There would be a funeral, and he would put an end to the muddle that had added to the family's grief.

One morning the mourners followed the coffin to the grave, and the last rites were performed. They went home be-

lieving that their loved one was at last at rest. They did not know that the misapplied sympathy of the undertaker had led him to fill the coffin with sandbags.

His secret was not discovered till a mortuary attendant shocked the family by demanding to know when the body, which, he said, was still in the mortuary, was going to be buried.

Permission from the Home Office was obtained for the coffin to be exhumed.

The real funeral has now taken place, secretly, so that the widow, who is ill, will not know what happened.

CLIMB DOWN BY BEVIN

Mr. Churchill did a double "climb-down" turn in the Commons for Mr. Ernest Bevin, Labour Minister, recently.

First Mr. Henderson Stewart (Fife, E.) called attention to a declaration made by Mr. Bevin that criticism about absenteeism nauseated him.

Mr. Stewart asked if this statement of Mr. Bevin represented the Government view.

Mr. Churchill replied that Mr. Bevin had told him he was not referring to informed criticism, but was condemning exaggerated statements based on individual instances.

The Government was in general agreement with the views expressed by the Select Committee said the Premier.

Mr. Stewart next asked if the Prime Minister's attention had been called to Mr. Bevin's declaration that it was clear that in the war effort the command of the Navy, Army and Air Force must be united.

Mr. Churchill said he understood from the Minister of Labour that he did not intend to make a declaration of the kind suggested.

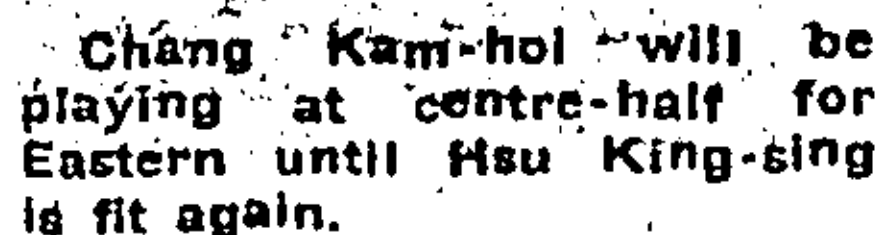


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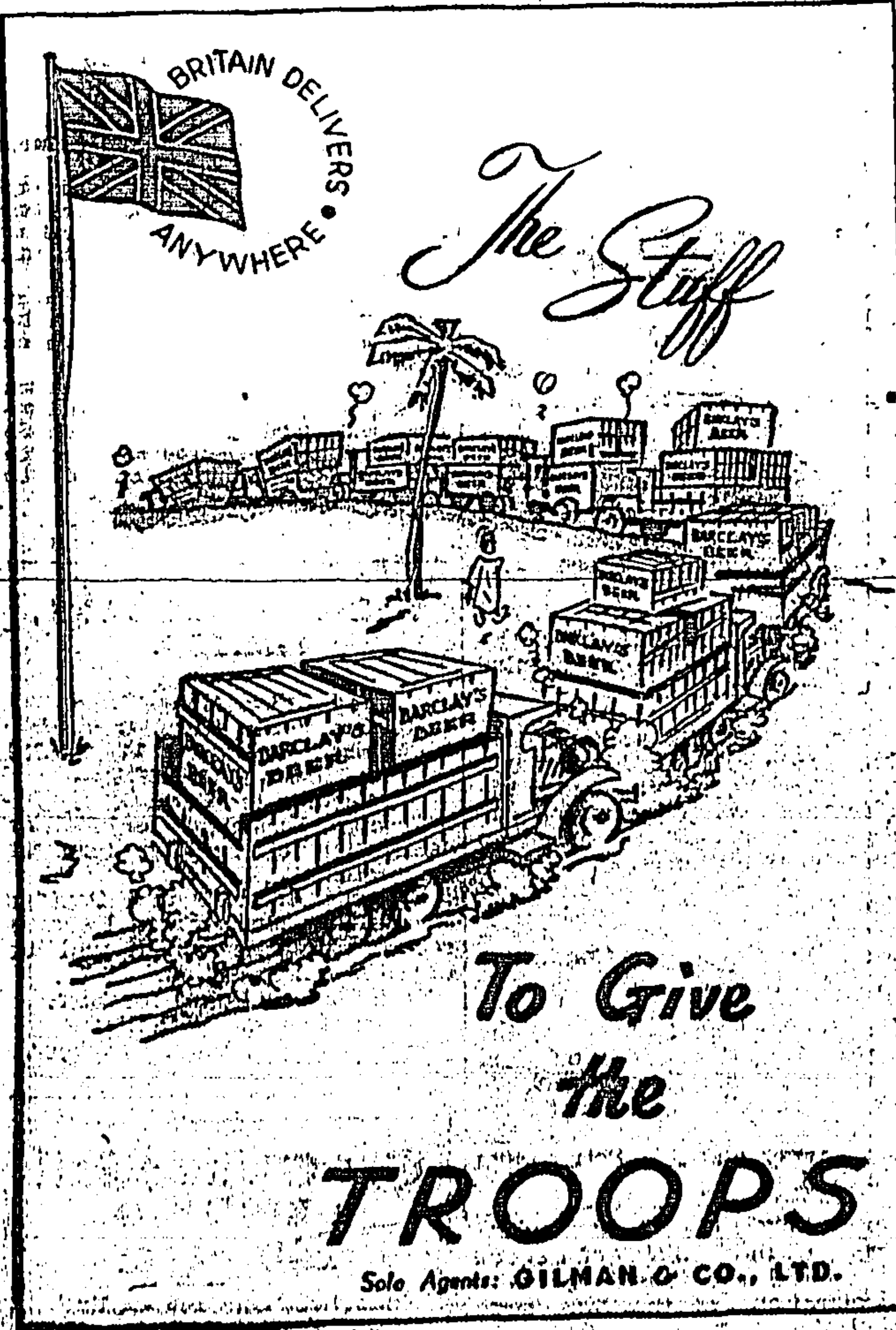
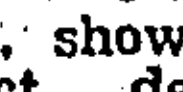
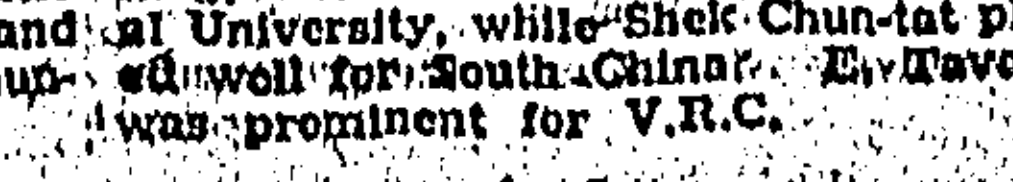


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**MEDICALS'
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Wally Ching Pitches China To Sensational Win Over United States

By "Grandstand"

INSPIRED BY A RECORD CROWD OF SUPPORTERS, WHO JAMMED EVERY NOOK AND CRANNY OF A CREAKING GRANDSTAND, GRANDPA LEUNG'S ALL-CHINESE BASEBALL NINE OVERPOWERED THE UNITED STATES CONTINGENT 11 TO 3 TO BECOME THE NEW INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONS, BEHIND THE MASTERFUL PITCHING OF WALLY "DIMPLES" CHING, WHO HAD THE OPPOSING BATTERS EATING OUT OF HIS HANDS WITH A VARIETY OF TEASERS DURING HIS SIX-INNING MOUND TENURE.

In the Hong Kong All-Stars v U. S. Navy series, the blue-jackets recovered from their shellacking of a week ago and managed to pull the series out of the fire with a 7 to 3 triumph after the count had been dead-locked 3-all for six eventful frames.

Hong Kong Baseballers v. South China the League finale, resulted in Mohawks over-running Caroliners 18 to 6 before a handful of spectators, whilst the Bees shaded the Aces 4 to 2 in an exhibition tilt staged by the pupils of Grandpa Leung's Baseball School.

All Lau, who started on the hill for the Chinese, was derrick-ed in favour of Wally China after he had conceded three safeties. For the rest of the game Ching fanned three and walked one, and was robbed of a no-hit no-run performance by allowing Lou Pawloski to nick him for a double. Tony Mascavage, working on the slab for the losers, yielded seven blows, struck-out one and walked three.

Short-lived Lead

Three Chinese batters paraded to the plate and back again in the first inning for a scoreless frame, whilst the Americans tallied three times on three blows to jump into a short-lived lead. In the second frame Morocco Chan singled and pilfered second, whilst Hank Chan was given a life on third-sacker Bowersox's fumble. Al Lau trotted down the line to load the sacks, after working moundsman Mascavage for a walk on four pitched balls.

Coming up into the batter's box with runners dancing on the base-trails, Pete Choy socked the apple on the nose for a two-run double. Dick Chung's "Japanese liner" to right chased two more mates over the plate for the Chinese to draw ahead, and before the disastrous inning was over Hank All dumped a neat bunt along first to score Chung.

In the next semester the Chinese started off by loading the sacks on a bingle, a miscue and a walk to produce another cluster of five counters, after they had batted right around. In the fourth and the fifth they were horse-collared, but in the sixth the Chinese stowed the game away with another marker on a walk and a sacrifice.

Belated Rally

After being blanked for five chapters, the Americans staged a belated uprising in the last stanza, but the threat was smothered as Earl Wilson popped out to first-sacker Hank Chan.

Only one double erasure was completed in the scuffle, when slabster Tony Mascavage froze on to Pete Choy's liner and tossed Al Lau out at second.

Lou Pawloski returned a two-in-three performance with the hickory, whilst both Nip Lum and Morocco Chan clouted safely twice in four batting attempts. Both Pete Choy and Dick Chung chased in three mates with timely hitting.

Pawloski Again

Featured by Lou Pawloski's return to form on the hillcock, the U.S. Navy nine chalked up their first win in the five-game series against Hong Kong All-Stars with a 7 to 3 verdict, climaxed by a brilliant twin-killing when Gardner Earl Wilson snared Bob Foley's towering hit after a breathless chase that deserved car-fare and lunch money back to his post. Not only that, but the

high-stepper rifled a bullet peg right down to first-sacker McKenzie to nab Al Lau a mile off the bag, for the outstanding fielding gem of the season.

Mound maestro Pawloski fanned six and walked none, whilst slabster Al Lau whiffed two and passed one to first.

All-Stars Score

Inaugurating the initial canto, Nip Lum slashed out a single on the first pitch, and sped all the way to third as hind-snatcher Mascavage heaved one out into centre field. Tony "Peewee" Alves' sacrifice dump saw Lum cross the pan standing up for All-Stars to draw first blood. In their half of the session the sailors regained the lead with a couple of counters on a double and a triple assisted with a brace of miscues.

In the second semester Gerry Gosano dented the pay-off station to knot the count, but the blue-jackets forged ahead again when Greasy Moore romped home with the tie-breaker after catcher Bob Foley let a pitch get past him.

The untiring Nip Lum came through with another hit in the third chapter, pilfered second and drew a wild heave from Mascavage to spike the rubber for the tying marker. Both sides were unable to produce a run for the next three frames.

Perfect Batting

In the sixth canto a barrage of four blows and two miscues enabled the sailors to produce a spurge of four runs to salt the game away.

Both Nip Lum and Henry "Crooner" Ruel had a perfect bat-

MRS. COOKE'S BID FOR U.S. TITLE

For close to a dozen years, Mrs. Sarah Palfrey Cooke has been battling America's best women players on the tennis courts, and yet to-day the little veteran is faced with her best opportunity of winning the American singles crown, a championship which has eluded her.

The retirement of Alice Marble from the amateur ranks leaves the women's field wide-open. And Mrs. Cooke, with her experience and vastly improved game this season, stands an even chance of reaching her goal. Back in 1935 and '36, she was runner-up to Helen Jacobs, but that was as close as she ever got to the crown.

Mrs. Cooke's forte has been in doubles play. On eight occasions she shared the American crown, the last four years with Alice Marble as her partner. She has been fairly successful in the mixed doubles, too, having won the title three times with Fred Perry, Enrique Maier and Don Budge.

The one factor that has stood in her path to the American singles crown in the past has been her lack of stamina. Her game has always been along the style which men play—so unlike the soft game many of the girls play. Unfortunately, she stands only 5-foot-3, and weighs around 110 pounds.

Mrs. Cooke's game has always been well rounded. She has the strokes and knows how to use them. This spring, she returned to action with her forehead improved by a changed grip. In addition, she has come up with a very handy drop shot, something she lacked in the past.

Mrs. Cooke may fall in her quest, but one thing is certain—she is giving it a good whipl this year.

REFEREE'S ASSOCIATION MEETING

Hong Kong Football Referees' Association are holding their first monthly meeting of the season this evening at Hotel Cecil at 8 p.m. The speaker will be Lieut. L. G. Crosby, M.M.R.A. chairman of Army Referees' Association. Among the items on the agenda is the date for the annual soccer game between Referees and Press.

ting day, the former coming through with three-in-three, whilst the latter included a three-bagger in his two safeties. Other extra-base clouts include Gerry Gosano's mighty triple that cleared the right field fence, and two-baggers by Wilson and Moore.

In Sunday's night-cap, Chuck Waggoner's Mohawks shellacked three South China slabsters for a total of 18 blows to overwhelm the Caroliners 18 to 6.

"Doc" Molten, who started on the hill for the victors, fanned three and walked four for six frames, whilst Ernie Heather whiffed two and walked in the remaining chapter.

Nam Hwa regular chucker Paul Lau, who worked on the rubber for six frames, struck-out two, and passed eight and was relieved by Ernie Moy with the sacks loaded in the sixth. Moy couldn't find the plate and received his walking papers after letting in four counters by handing out four free rides to the initial satchel. As a last resort, manager Hal Winglee put brother Cecil on the mound, who fanned George Daniels on four pitches to end the fiasco.

DID YOU KNOW?

The three-base-hit record for a single season stands at 36 and was established by J. Owen Wilson of Pittsburgh in 1912. That same year Joe Jackson hit 26 for Cleveland.

ALEC PEARCE SHOULD BE ABLE TO GET FINE ARMY SIDE TOGETHER

(By "Incog")

THE ANNOUNCEMENT THAT ARMY SPORTS BOARD HAS DECIDED TO ENTER TWO TEAMS IN THE CRICKET LEAGUE THIS SEASON, HAS GIVEN SATISFACTION ALL ROUND, AND IS SURE TO ADD TO THE INTEREST OF THE COMPETITIONS AS ARMY ARE CAPABLE OF FIELDING TWO VERY STRONG SIDES ANY SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

Lieut. T. A. Pearce, Colony, and Hong Kong Cricket Club all-rounder, will be in charge of the First Division team, and it is felt that with one of his calibre at the helm the season's prospects for Army are indeed bright.

Though no names are available just yet, it is understood that in addition to most of last season's stalwarts, Pearce will also have the services of a couple of new arrivals: who have played in good class cricket at Home and who are expected to be able to turn out regularly.

In addition to Alec Pearce, two Hong Kong Cricket Club players in J. L. C. Pearce and R. M. M. King are also available.

Major Swyer, who has captained R.A.M.C. with so much success for a number of years, will be leading the Second Division team, and will have some promising talent from which to make his selection.

By Drawback

The one great drawback for the Army is the lack of facilities for nets practice—at least insofar as "other ranks" are concerned—and in this connection it would perhaps be worth the while of the Sports Board to consider returning part of the ground at Sookun-poo for this purpose.

Owing to the fact that the different units are scattered all over the Colony, organised practice is almost an impossibility for the Army, and knock-ups on cement pitches, in barrack compounds, have served for practices in the past—and will probably continue to do so for many years to come.

In spite of all this, however, Army have always been able to provide the Colony with a number of really good all-round cricketers, and it would appear that 1941-42 will be no exception.

Now that the Army have openly stated they are ready for the season, it is to be hoped that the Cricket League will rise from its prolonged Summer slumber and set the wheels in motion for another enjoyable season.

Civil Service Cricket Club have all their cricket stalwarts to call on this coming season, while there is the possibility that R. G. K. Thompson, who has played good class cricket at Home, will be persuaded to turn out for them as well.

Dr. O. I. E. de Souza, who was one of University's leading hockey players in his undergraduate days, returned to the Colony yesterday from London after an absence of over five years.

NEW AUSTRALIANS TO COST \$900

The 70 new Australian Subscription ponies, to be raced in 1942 and which were recently imported into the Colony, will be drawn for at the end of this month, the cost per pony being \$900, inclusive of livery and charges to the date of draw.

C.B.A. WIN OVER ARMY AT TENNIS

At King's Park, yesterday, Central British Association beat Army Tennis Club by 6½ sets to 2½ in Fourth Division of the Tennis League, scores being—

B. I. Bickford and T. Gaubert (C.B.A.) beat Ford and Quismil 6-4
lost to Mitchell and Alsey 6-6
beat Spencer and A. N. Other 6-2
S. A. Fowler and N. Whitley (C.B.A.) beat Ford and Quismil 6-3
lost to Mitchell and Alsey 1-6
beat Spencer and A. N. Other 5-4
G. Gurevitch and B. Tomaszewsky (C.B.A.) beat Ford and Quismil 6-1
lost to Mitchell and Alsey 2-6
beat Spencer and A. N. Other 6-2
Central British Association are now left with one more game—against Post Office Club (2)—and this has been provisionally fixed for next Monday.

Table To Date

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C.R.C.	10	8	2	0	63½	26½	16	
F.C.	10	7	3	0	58	29	14	
A.T.C.	10	4	5	1	47½	42½	9	
I.R.C.	9	4	4	1	33½	47½	9	
P.O.R.C. (1)	10	4	6	0	40	50	8	
C.B.A.	9	3	6	0	31	50	6	
P.O.R.C. (2)	9	2	7	0	19½	61½	4	
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Searing Brutal War

"Two years of searing, brutal, senseless war, during which Hitler and his satellites have pursued a callous course of making over the world to the German image."

This is how the St. Louis "Globe Democrat" describes the two years since September 1939. "After two years, Britain and China and the Free French still

Europe Will Shake Off Shackles

"AFTER MORE THAN a year of oppression, the Netherlands are and feel stronger, and are more unconquerable than ever before," declared Her Majesty Queen Wilhelmina over Radio Orange last night, broadcasting to Dutch people throughout the world in commemoration of her 61st birthday which was celebrated on Sunday.

She declared that the Netherlands would play its part in the new world order as envisaged by Mr. Winston Churchill and President Roosevelt.

The arch-enemy of humanity, Hitler, wanted to destroy the Netherlands. He had overpowered them, robbed them of liberty and his hordes had looted,

stand as a barrier with the United States committed to all-out defence and engaged in rearming on a fabulous scale.

"This September finds the American conscript army in training, our largest peace-time army in history, and it finds American soldiers treading strange foreign soil well into the periphery of the danger zone.

"The Roosevelt-Churchill high seas conference resulted in the Atlantic charter, the foundation on which will rest a better world." — Reuter.

leaving the Dutch to starve. He sought to crush their soul but had failed.

She praised the "indomitable courage, daring and tough unbreakable resistance" of the Dutch and paid tribute to the laurels won by the Dutch armed forces and merchant seamen, adding that the entire realm would fight until victory was achieved.

Lust For Murder

The Queen paid homage to all those people who had met with the same fate as the Netherlands and were resisting Nazi tyranny. "While our mutual assailant is now venting his lust for murder and robbery against the courageous Russian people, resistance manifests itself as his back is turned and the united peoples are preparing at present to toll the death-knell for him and his detestable order.

"MOST CERTAINLY A DEATH-KNELL, BUT ONE WHICH WILL RING JOY BECAUSE IT WILL HERALD THE LIBERATION OF PEOPLES." — REUTER.

STOP PRESS

If on both sides there was less talk of immutable policies and frank recognition that the rapidly changing world demands some adaptability, at least in the interpretation of so-called fixed principles, half the battle of adjustment would be won, says the Japanese-owned "Singapore Herald" commenting on the Washington talks, adding that two things need plainest emphasis in Washington and London on the part of Japan:—

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The D.F.C. is awarded to Squadron Leader Charles Neil Fleming who was born in Poona in 1912 and educated at St. Joseph's College at Nini Tal. He was commissioned in 1934 and in the following year served in Iraq on flying duties.

He was promoted to Squadron Leader in June 1940. The D.F.C. is also awarded to Flying Officer Arthur John Smitz, R.A.F. Volunteer Reserve No. 87 Squadron. Smitz was born in Northern Bengal, served in the Mounted Rifles from 1928 to 1929 and was commissioned in the R.A.F. in March 1940 as an air gunner.—Reuter.

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SHANGHAI SEES SMALL CHANCES OF SETTLEMENT

(Continued from Page 1) Mercury" which says that "common ground for Japanese-American understanding is difficult to find unless one party or the other is willing to withdraw from its avowed course.

"ANYWAY, WHAT NOMURA OR KONOYE WANTS OR IS WILLING TO DO CARRIES NO WEIGHT AT ALL UNLESS THEY ARE SUPPORTED BY THE JAPANESE ARMY." — REUTER.

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A.R.P. INQUIRY: GIRL REPORTER'S EVIDENCE

Acquaintance With Director

EVIDENCE BY Miss Mimi Lau concerning her acquaintance with the D.A.R.P. given at yesterday's hearing of the inquiry into matters concerning the Air Raid Precautions Department, was read this morning at the first public examination of witnesses in the Council Chamber, when Mr. G. G. N. Tinson, who entered an appearance on behalf of Wing-Comdr. A. H. S. Steele-Perkins, submitted that as he was not present at the previous examination, it would be only in fairness to his client if the evidence of Miss Lau was not read in public until he had had time to study same.

The Chairman of the Commission, Mr. Justice P. E. F. Cressall, however, ruled otherwise, saying that if Mr. Tinson wanted to reserve his cross-examination after having heard Miss Lau's evidence, he was at liberty to apply for an adjournment.

The Chairman then intimated to Miss Lau that she would not be required further at this session and the next witness, Mr. William Lloyd Carmen, acting managing director of Marsman China Ltd., was called.

Miss Mimi Lau's evidence was read as follows:

Miss Mimi Lau: (Affirmed) (Interpreted).

Q.—Chairman: What is your name?

A.—Mimi Lau

Q.—Where are you employed?

A.—With the Chiap Hua Manufacturing Company.

Q.—How long have you been employed there?

A.—Since January, 1941.

Q.—Do you know Mr. Lam, the managing director?

A.—I know the managing partner whose surname is Cheng but as to the gentleman named Lam, I do not know him, although I have seen him once or twice. His other name is Lam Pak Ching.

Q.—Tell me, how did you get this job, did you answer an advertisement? How did you come to be employed with this firm?

A.—This gentleman Mr. Cheng, had been a friend of mine when I was in Canton and before I was married, before the fall of Canton, we had been very good friends there. Later I came to Hong Kong.

Arrival In Colony

Q.—When did you come to Hong Kong?

A.—Since the beginning of the Sino-Japanese war in 1937/1938.

Q.—What happened then?

A.—I came to Hong Kong. I turned up the telephone directory and found the name of the firm in the directory and tried to locate Mr. Cheng. I succeeded, then I arranged to have tea with him in the St. Francis Hotel lounge.

Q.—When was that?

A.—End of last year.

Q.—But you came here in 1937 or 1938?

A.—Yes, I had married General Fan Tak Sen and after I married I did not see Mr. Cheng for a long time.

Q.—But you came here in 1937/1938?

A.—Yes.

Q.—And it was not until the end of last year that you got in touch with the Chiap Hua Manufacturing Co.?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Why did you wait so long?

A.—I was going to and fro to Canton during that time.

Q.—I take it you were not working during 1937 and 1938 to 1940?

A.—During these years I had been employed in two news agencies. The first was the Man Chung and the second the Kwok Man.

Q.—What salary did you get?

A.—I was only employed as a student or apprentice without any pay. Sometimes some pocket money would be given to me.

Q.—When did you first receive a salary for any work you did?

First Salary

A.—The first time I actually received a salary was when I went to the Chiap Hua Manufacturing Company.

Q.—At the end of last year?

A.—No, at the beginning of this year.

Q.—How much did you get?

A.—\$200 a month.

Q.—What was your work?

A.—I look after the Chinese correspondence.

Q.—Are you a typist?

A.—No, I don't know English.

Q.—You don't write shorthand?

A.—No.

Q.—What kind of work do you do?

A.—Filing letters and looking after Chinese correspondence.

Q.—Answering letters?

A.—I did not answer letters but I would copy the letters given to me. When I saw Mr. Cheng here the first time I told him I was divorced and asked him for a job

French Admiral Resigns

Admiral Leluc has resigned command of the French Naval Forces and his post as head of the Navy Secretariat which was entrusted to him by Admiral Darlan, says the Vichy News Agency.

He is replaced in both posts by Admiral Auphan, who is the youngest officer holding an Admiral's rank in the French Navy.

Admiral Auphan was entrusted with the reorganisation of the French mercantile marine.

Admiral Leluc was one of the French plenipotentiaries who signed the Armistice with Germany. He was regarded in French naval circles as a very competent sailor for whom a brilliant career was predicted. —Reuter.

and since then we have been very good friends.

Q.—What did you do with your salary each month, did you bank it?

A.—Part of my money is put in the bank.

Q.—With what bank do you deal?

A.—The Mercantile Bank of India, Ltd.

Q.—When you first started working you put part of your salary in the bank each month, is that it?

A.—I never put my money in the bank until two or three months ago when I learnt that some of my neighbours had had their money stolen.

Q.—What did you do with your spare cash?

A.—I used to keep all my cash in a hand bag.

Q.—And walk about with it all the time?

A.—I either kept it in a hand bag or put it in a drawer or a box in the house.

Q.—Which house?

A.—No. 9, Gap Road, 1st floor.

Q.—Who lives there?

A.—I and two cousins.

Q.—Girl cousins?

A.—No, male cousins.

Money In Bank

Q.—You say you decided to put your money in the bank because you were afraid of being robbed?

A.—In addition to being frightened of being robbed I also decided to put my money in the bank because I was afraid if war came here to Hong Kong, robbers would come into the house.

Q.—How did you come to go to this bank?

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"SPADE WORK" DONE IN INDO-CHINA

Major-General Sumita, who headed the Japanese Military Mission to Indo-China, returned to Tokyo yesterday.

He described his task as being concerned only with the "spade work" and added that efforts must now be made to put on the finishing touches.—Reuter.

SAIGON REPORT INCORRECT

The report that a German Consulate was opened in Saigon on August 25 is incorrect.

Although all Saigon newspapers formally announced the opening of the Consulate, it is now understood that the office opened by the German Consular

THE DANGERS AHEAD

The realistic tone of President Roosevelt's speech and the insistent warning against any under-estimate of dangers ahead found cordial endorsement in London, writes Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent.

The President has been quick to re-echo and underline the warnings against complacency which have been uttered by Mr. Winston Churchill and Mr. Anthony Eden in recent days.

The American determination to accelerate to the utmost the production of war materials was especially welcomed in London.

Moreover, it was noted with pleasure and satisfaction that the expression of this determination showed the President's clear grasp of the urgent pressing needs on the supply front.

The speech exactly parallels the determination of the British Government and British Labour to accelerate similar production at home.—Reuter.

official, Herr Neuman, who arrived in Saigon recently, actually is his own office, as representative in Indo-China of the Wiesbaden Armistice Commission.—Reuter.

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THE PLEDGE TO SMASH HITLER

President Roosevelt's Labour Day Speech Call For Further Intensive Drive For Production

"ON THIS DAY - THIS AMERICAN HOLIDAY - WE CELEBRATE THE RIGHT OF THE FREE LABOURING OF MEN. THE RESERVATION OF THESE RIGHTS IS NOW VITALLY IMPORTANT NOT ONLY TO US WHO ENJOY THEM BUT TO THE WHOLE FUTURE OF CHRISTIAN CIVILISATION," DECLARED PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT IN HIS BROADCAST SPEECH IN NEW YORK YESTERDAY ON THE OCCASION OF LABOUR DAY.

The President continued: "American labour now bears a tremendous responsibility in winning this most brutal and most terrible of all wars.

"In our factories, shops and arsenals we are building weapons on a great scale, great in its magnitude. To all the battle-fronts of the world are these weapons being despatched by day and night over seas and through the air, and this nation is now devising and developing new weapons of unprecedented power toward the maintenance of Democracy.

"Why are we doing this? Why are we determined to devote our entire industrial effort to the prosecution of a war which actually has not yet touched our own shores?

"We are not a warlike people; we never sought glory as a nation of warriors. We are not interested in aggression. We are not interested - as the Dictators are - in looting. We do not covet one square inch of the territory of any other nation.

"Our vast effort and the unity of purpose which inspires that effort are due solely to our recognition of the fact that our fundamental rights - including the rights of Labour - are threatened by Hitler's violent attempt to rule the world.

The Bond

There never has been a moment in history when the Americans were not ready to stand up as free men and fight for their rights. In times of national emergency one fact is brought home clearly to us decisively - that all our rights are interdependent.

The rights of freedom of worship would mean nothing without freedom of speech and the rights of free labour, as we know them to-day, could not survive without rights of free enterprise. That is an indestructible bond between all us Americans.

Inter-dependence of interests, privileges and opportunities - inter-dependence of rights, that is what unites us - men and women of all sections. That is why we have been able to defy and frustrate enemies who believed they could divide us and control us from within.

Naval Strategy

These enemies all know we possess a strong navy - gaining in strength. They know that that navy - as long as the navies of the British Empire, the Netherlands, Norway and Russia exist - can together guarantee freedom of the seas.

These enemies know that if those other navies were destroyed the American navy cannot now or in the future maintain freedom of the seas against all the rest of the world.

These enemies know our army is increasing daily in all round strength, and these enemies know that to-day the chief American fighters in the battles now raging are those engaged in American industry - employers and employees alike. These enemies know that the course of American production in the past year has shown enormous gains and the product of these industries is moving to the battle-fronts

against Hitlerism in increasing volume each day. But these enemies also know that our American effort is not yet enough - and that unless we step up the total of our production and more greatly safeguard it on its journey to the battlefields, these enemies will take heart in pushing their attack in old fields and new.

Solemn Warning

I give a solemn warning to those who think that Hitler has been blocked and halted that they are making a very dangerous assumption.

When in an area your enemy seems to be making slower progress than he did the year before, that is the very moment to strike with redoubled force - to throw more energy into the job of defeating him - to end forever and all time a menace of world conquest, and thereby end all talk or thought of any peace founded on compromise with evil itself.

We know that a free labour system is the very foundation of a functioning democracy. We know that one of the first acts of the Axis dictatorships has been to wipe out all principles and standards which labour has been able to establish for its own preservation and advancement.

Forbidden Philosophy

Trade Unionism is a forbidden philosophy under these rule-or-ruin dictators. For trade unionism demands freedom of expression and peaceful assembly. Trade unionism has helped to give everyone who toils a position of dignity which is his due. The present position of labour in the United States as an interdependent unit in the life of the nation has not come about by chance. It has been a revolutionary process of healthy democracy at work.

Hitler has not worked that way. He will not, cannot work that way. Just as he denies all rights to individuals, he must deny all rights to groups - of labour or business or learning or the church.

He has abolished trade unions as ruthlessly as he has persecuted religion. No group of Americans has realised more clearly what Nazi domination means than has organised labour - what it means to their standards of living, their freedom, their lives. No group has a greater stake in the defeat of Nazism, in the preservation of fundamental freedoms, in continuance of democracy throughout the world.

Infinitely More

We have already achieved much; it is imperative that we achieve infinitely more. The single-mindedness and sacrifice

with which we jointly dedicate ourselves to the production of weapons of freedom will determine in no small part the length of the ordeal through which humanity must pass. We cannot hesitate, we cannot equivocate in the great task before us.

The defence of America's freedom must take precedence over every private aim and over every private interest.

We are engaged on a grim and perilous task. The forces of insane violence have been let loose by Hitler upon this earth. We must do our full part in conquering them, for these forces may be unleashed on this nation as we go about our business of protecting the proper interests of our country.

The task of defeating Hitler may be long and arduous, said the President.

There are a few appeasers and Nazi sympathisers who say that it cannot be done.

THEY ASK ME TO NEGOTIATE WITH HITLER - TO PRAY FOR CRUMBS FROM HIS VICTORIOUS TABLE.

They do in fact ask me to become a modern Benedict Arnold and betray all I hold dear, my devotion to our freedom, our churches, to our country. This course I have rejected. I reject it again.

Great Privilege

Instead, I know I speak for the conscience and the determination of the American people when I say we shall do everything in our power to crush Hitler and his Nazi forces.

American workers, American farmers, American business men and American churchmen - all of us together - have the great responsibility and the great privilege of labouring to build a democratic world on enduring foundations.

May it be said on some future Labour Day by some future President of the United States that we did our work faithfully and well. - Reuter.

TOOK BOMB ON HIS CYCLE

A constable, setting off on his bicycle for the police station, held a "strange object" on the crossbar.

He thought it was a shell case. There was an explosion. He was fatally injured. Several men nearby were wounded.

The "strange object" was a bomb, dropped on a north-east town by a raider.

The story was told at the inquest on Police Constable William Gordon Ward.

An Army sergeant and a private, it was stated, had tried to take the "strange object" to pieces with a hammer. It was put in a trench, where it lay, for some time.

Verdict: Accidental death.

BERLIN BOMBED BY SOVIET PLANES

A special radio announcement from Moscow last night reported Soviet air raids on Berlin, Konigsberg, Danzig and Memel, during Sunday. Incendiary and high explosive bombs were dropped on military targets at all four places. One Soviet machine did not return. - Reuter.

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Iran Peace Hopes

At an ordinary session of the Medjless (Parliament) in Teheran yesterday, the Prime Minister, Furughi informed the Deputies that conversations were proceeding satisfactorily and that the situation was becoming clearer.

He hoped that the matter would be settled in a day or two.

Referring to various rumours circulating in Teheran, the Prime Minister said he regretted that the people were in such a nervous state that some were even quitting the capital and he assured the House that there was absolutely no danger to the population, government or anybody else.

Such rumours were circulated by mischief makers, he said.

The Prime Minister urged the people not to hoard bread and other foodstuffs, assuring the House that there was ample for all and he asked Members to circulate his words so that Government could work until the problem is settled. - Reuter.

NO APPEASEMENT OF JAPAN IN PROSPECT

WHILE PRESIDENT Roosevelt enunciated no new American policies or further steps in his present policies in yesterday's broadcast, interventionists in Washington welcome his emphatic assertion that there will be no negotiated peace as far as he is concerned.

They likewise heard with satisfaction his declaration that he will not beg for crumbs from Hitler's victorious table, as well as his appeal for redoubled efforts now that the Nazi war machine is being slowed down by Russia's valiant fight.

Similar welcome is given his assertion that Germany must be defeated if Americans are to continue to enjoy the rights they now enjoy, although there is regret in some American quarters that he did not speak in plainer terms in regard to what that is likely to involve.

The speech is regarded as calculated to prepare Americans for giving up many things they now have in order that the production of war materials may increase.

THE PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT THAT AMERICAN WEAPONS OF WAR ARE BEING SENT DAILY TO ALL FIGHTING FRONTS IS WELCOMED AS AN INDICATION THAT THERE IS NO CHANGE IN AMERICA'S POLICY OF SENDING SUPPLIES TO CHINA AND RUSSIA, AND THAT WASHINGTON IS NOT "APPEASING" JAPAN. - REUTER.

QUIET CONVICTION

ALTHOUGH INDIFFERENT RECEPTION DUE TO BAD ATMOSPHERIC CONDITIONS MARRED THE EUROPEAN TRANSMISSION OF PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S LABOUR DAY SPEECH, MOST OF THE PRESIDENT'S WORDS WERE AUDIBLE TO SHORT-WAVE LISTENERS IN LONDON.

President Roosevelt spoke with calm deliberation and listeners were struck by the quiet conviction which appeared through his measured tones as he spoke of the Nazi threat to labour standards all over the world.

The 15-minute speech was followed by the playing of the American national anthem by a military band. - Reuter.

Germans Thrust Upon The Defensive In Crucial Areas

Threat To Rear Round Leningrad

CHECKED IN THE THRUST TOWARDS LENINGRAD AND ON THE LOWER DNIEPER, THE GERMANS HAVE BEEN THROWN ON THE DEFENSIVE AT ALL OTHER IMPORTANT POINTS ALONG THE 1,800 MILE RUSSIAN FRONT.

This much is clear from the last reports from the front, though a great deal more remains to be told and though it is impossible to foresee the next development.

The Red Army's heaviest counter-assault is south of Lake Ilmen, threatening the flanks and rear of the German troops farther north, in the Leningrad attack, while General Koniev is hammering at the Gomel position. German reports mention fighting near Bobruisk, southwest of Smolensk, indicating a withdrawal for some distance in this sector.

Heavy Counter-Attacks

"Annalist," in a commentary on the position, points out that while the Soviet High Command, which mentions that fighting continues unabated along the entire front, is, further than this, singularly uncommunicative for the moment, the Germans refer to the numerous and widespread counter-attacks by the Russians, not only in the central sector (Gomel and Bobruisk) but also now on the lower course of the Dnieper in the south and in the north below Lake Ilmen.

The Soviet forces are reported to be bringing up heavy tanks of over fifty tons in the land battles and are evidently using gunboats to advantage along the Dnieper harassing the Germans attempting to establish bridgeheads.

Healthy Sign

The situation needs further clarification before it can be properly appraised, but it is clear that Marshals Timoshenko and Budenny are exerting healthy counter-action to the repeated German attempts to find weak spots in the central section and where the narrowing of the Dnieper near Kiev affords the Germans easy access to the east towards the Don and the Donetz Basin.

There is no official confirmation that the Russians have evacuated Viborg in Finland. There would be good military reasons for them doing so, for it would make it easier for them to defend Leningrad by shortening their line of communications.

Reports that the withdrawal has been ordered for political rather than military reasons should be treated with reserve because of their conflicting nature.

Rain

The Germans are now admitting that ceaseless rains are hampering operations in the main Leningrad battlezone south of Lake Ilmen and it seems evident that the weather is becoming an increasingly important defensive factor.

Fresh Onslaughts

Fresh counter-attacks by Marshal Budenny's forces south of Kiev and on the lower course of the Dnieper are reported by the official German news agency.

The Soviet forces, says the agency, supported by artillery and gunboats, yesterday repented the attempt to gain the western bank of the Dnieper south of Kiev.

This attack was frustrated with heavy losses to the Russians.

Strong Russian forces attacked the German positions on the lower course of the Dnieper. These attacks—says the German agency—were also repulsed with heavy losses. In this defensive battle, a thousand prisoners were taken.

The agency also states that violent fighting took place yesterday in the centre of the front and claims that 25 Soviet tanks, including eight of the 52-ton type, were destroyed in this section. It does not repeat the assertion that the attacks were repulsed.—Reuter.

AIR POWER IN MIDDLE EAST

The steadily growing strength of the R.A.F. in the Middle East, now further augmented by the arrival in the Western Desert theatre of war of the South African Air Force, was brought forcibly home to the enemy during August when some of the heaviest bombing raids yet carried out in the Middle East were made.

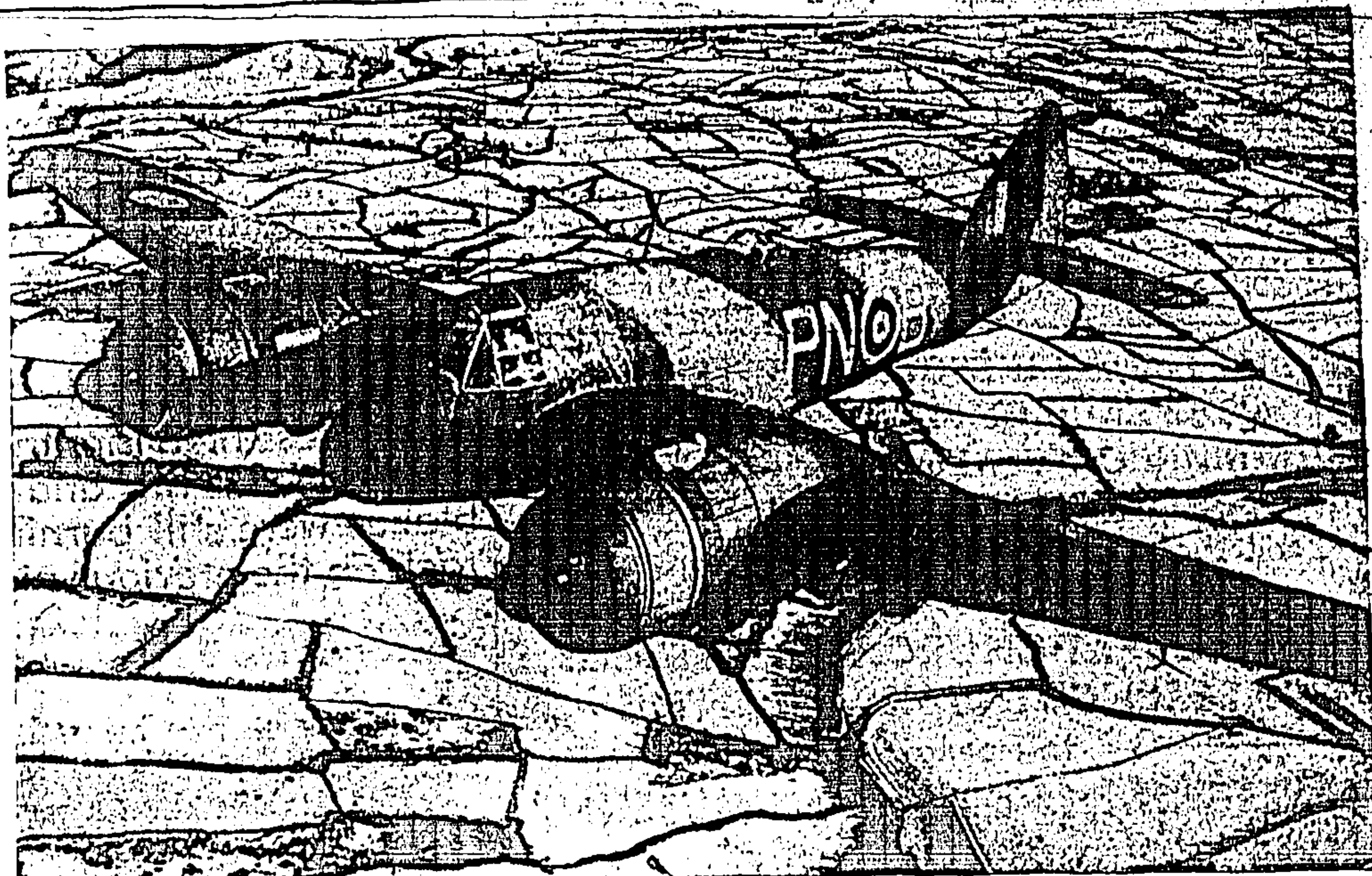
Principal targets were Tripoli, Benghazi, Derna, Bardia, as well as many landing grounds and military objectives in enemy territory.

Our aircraft also ranged further afield and concentrated attacks were delivered against the Corinth Canal and aerodromes in Crete and in Greece itself. Tripoli and Benghazi had severe hammerings nearly every night. Bardia and Derna had their usual quota, while other objectives at Misurata, Gambut, Gazala, Martuba, Imimi, Capuzzo, Binina and Berca were also raided.

These widespread operations in the Western Desert have not been confined to the night-time.

Daylight sweeps by Blenheims and Marylands are becoming more and more frequent while Hurricanes and Tomahawks have taken heavy toll of enemy motor transport personnel and land convoys in ground strafing attacks.

Two of the outstanding bombing raids of the month were made against the Corinth Canal with a view to preventing the use by shipping of this important waterway. Considerable landslides were caused on the banks of the canal sufficient to prevent the passage of enemy ships for the long period.—British Wireless.



"BEAUFIGHTER"—The twin-engined Bristol "Beaufighter," a high-speed heavily armed fighter monoplane, suitable for use as a day or night interceptor. Some of these aircraft are fitted with four cannon and six machine-guns.

SOVIET VERSION OF FINNISH FRONT BATTLE

A STORM TROOPER division and one Finnish brigade were thrown against one Soviet regiment in the "N" sector of the Eastern Front, says Moscow's supplementary communique issued yesterday.

"Our Red Army defended themselves courageously, attacking the enemy on all sides. Soon another unit joined our regiment, strengthening the resistance of the Soviet troops.

Despairing of breaking our defence by counter-attacks, the Germans decided to try to encircle our unit. Through forests and marshes the Finnish regiment succeeded in penetrating to our rear where it counted upon creating a panic in our ranks, but the Finns made a mistake," the communique says.

"The Red Army repulsed all attacks and more Soviet reinforcements arrived and the Finns found themselves encircled by our troops. The Finn regiment was routed, and out of 2,000 Finns who penetrated to our rear," the communique says, "not more than 600 men managed to escape from the encirclement. Forty machine-guns, many trench mortars and rifles and other military equipment were captured or destroyed."

Guerilla Activity

A Russian report says that, according to a statement of prisoners nearly all the company commanders and eight or nine men out of every 12 were killed. Guerilla detachments continue to harass German and Finnish troops who have seized certain parts of the Karelian Finnish Republic, according to a Soviet communique, locating the enemy's weak spots and inflicting severe losses upon him by destroying bridges and stores, and making night attacks upon small enemy detachments.

Enemy lines of communications, in many cases, have been destroyed and the roads mined, says Soviet reports. In one case the forest through which the enemy was moving was set afire on all sides causing great losses amongst the Finns and Germans.

Belgian Hospitals

According to another Soviet report thousands of Belgian patients have been moved from hos-

BOTH JUST AND NECESSARY

Cardinal Hinsley, Catholic Archbishop of Westminster, in London yesterday addressed Catholic members of the forces serving in the war.

His Eminence said that there existed today a tyrant who made a God out of war and who had no scruples in dealing with mankind.

"War against such a man is both just and necessary."—Reuter.

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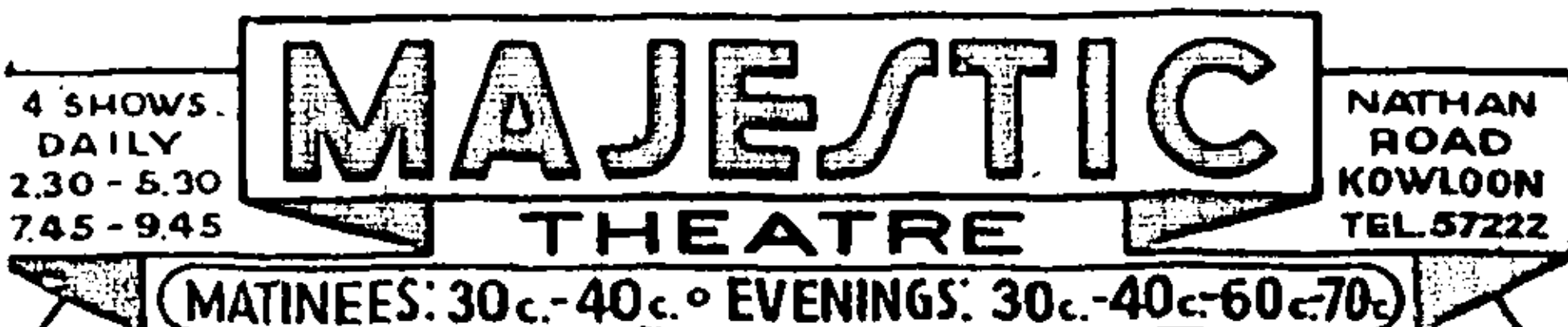
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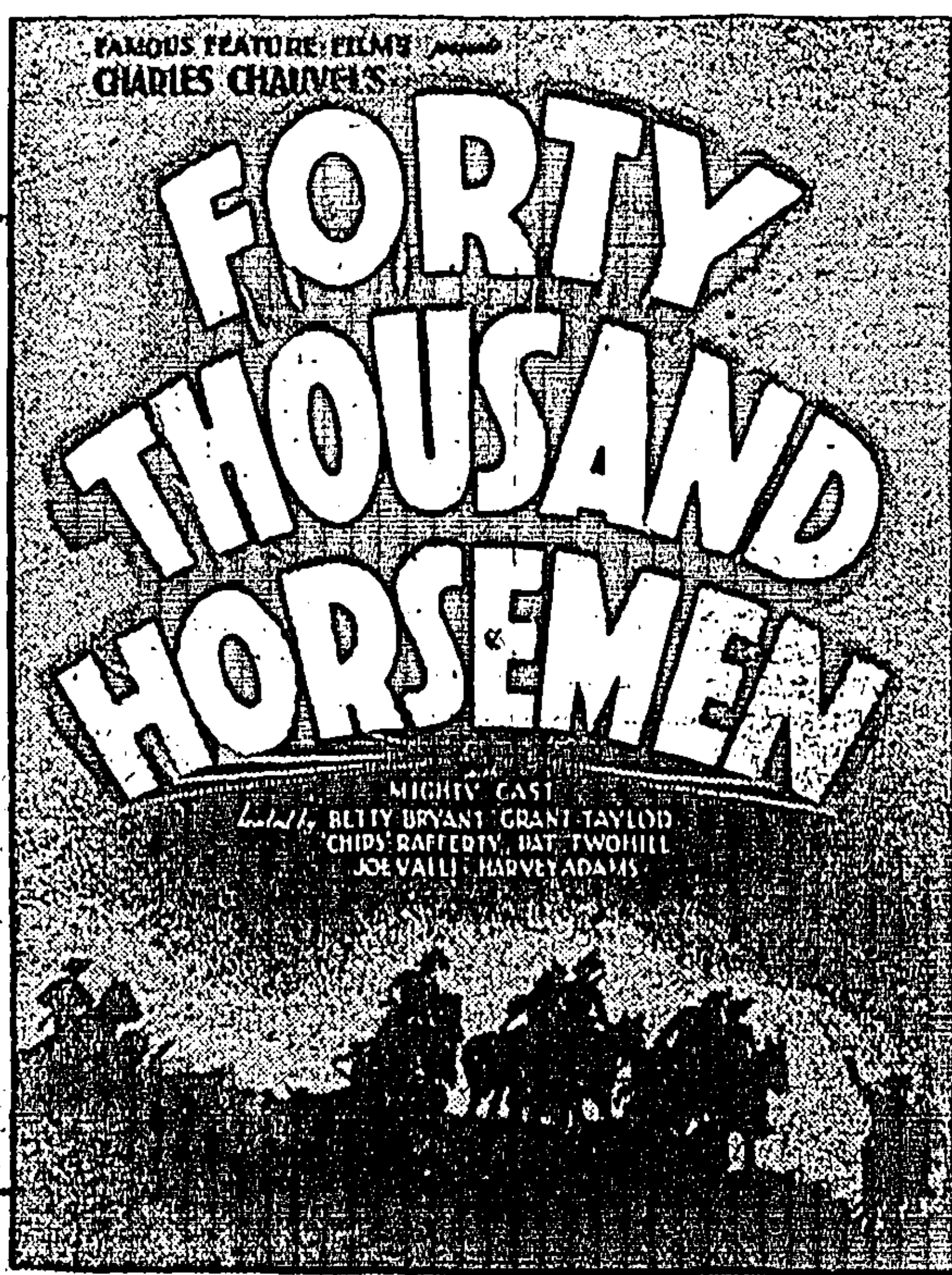
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TRIPOLI GETS SECOND BLITZ IN TWO NIGHTS

HEAVY BOMBERS of the R.A.F. again raided Tripoli Harbour on Sunday night dropping large quantities of bombs upon the Spanish Quay and upon ships unloading in the port, according to an Air Ministry communique.

Large fires broke out and columns of smoke rose high into the air. One ship at the quayside was hit and set on fire and large blazes were still burning from the heavy attack on the previous night.

"Even older fires were still smouldering," adds the communique.
"Aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm bombed dumps near Bardia which caused a number of explosions suggesting that ammunition stores had been hit.

Other bombers of the R.A.F. raided aerodromes at Maritza and Calato on the Island of Rhodes.

"At Maritza, direct hits on hangars and aircraft were observed, fires breaking out in various parts of the aerodrome.

"At Calato, explosions and fires followed the attack.

Torpedo Attack

"During the night of August 30, aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm made a torpedo attack on a merchant ship near Lampedusa Island. One torpedo struck the vessel which stopped with a heavy list. The second torpedo is also believed to have found its mark.

"From all these operations one of our aircraft is missing."—Reuter.

HITLER THE STAR GAZER

"Hitler has presented Mussolini with a great astronomical observatory which is being built near Rome and is to be completed this year. It will be provided with the best precision instruments.

This was announced by the German Radio yesterday afternoon.
—Reuter.

AMERICA IN THE BATTLE TO END NAZI TYRANNY

"TO OUR FELLOW workers of all lands, many of whom are risking their lives to hear this broadcast — your battle is ours," declared Mr. Sydney Hidlam, Associate Director of the Office of Production Management in a broadcast to Mr. Ernest Bevin, British Minister of Labour, yesterday.

He spoke in the same broadcast as President Roosevelt, adding "We will help to fight with all our faith, strength and skill in mine, factory and firm to-day, to-morrow and every day until that battle is won.

"We know that the outcome of to-day's fight for freedom and human dignity depends on us turning out the hundreds of ships, tanks and planes that will guarantee victory for those fighting the battle for democracy.

"All Americans have responded to this task. We have mobilised our manpower and will power for the contest between the workshops of the Democracies and the Axis. Our working people know that none of us can be secure in our jobs

while Hitler's gangsters remain at large." Mr. William Green, President of the American Federation of Labour, speaking in the same broadcast, said: "As a nation, we have made up our minds to stop this threat to our peace and safety, to defend ourselves at any cost and to help other countries in the path of the Nazi war machine to defend themselves." He urged the United States to force with greater force and to have more implements of war than the Nazi could command.—Reuter.

POLAND'S NEW HOPE

Hitler's invasion of Poland which took place two years ago yesterday is the subject of comment throughout the press.

"The Times" says: "No other country suffered more appalling devastation in the brief period of gallant armed defence against an overwhelming force. No other country since has been subjected to more ruthless methods of oppression at the hand of Nazi-occupying armies and Nazi administration. Nowhere else has the baneful doctrine of herrenvolk been so persistently and so unscrupulously applied.

There has been little or no attempt to enlist the services of Poles in the administration of their own country—indeed Polish Quislings would have been hard to find.

The whole Polish people have been treated as an inferior race born to serve and to obey, and scarcely entitled even to that bare minimum of human consideration necessary to make them into efficient instruments of Hitler's will.

"Recent events, though they have done nothing to alleviate Polish sufferings have brought a fresh ray of hope to the victims of Nazi barbarities. By his deliberate assault on Soviet Russia Hitler has given Poland a new and powerful ally whose vast resources and stubborn spirit of resistance will hasten the day of Allied victory and of Poland's deliverance.

"The statesmanlike agreement signed a month ago by General Sikorski and by the Soviet Ambassador in London brings to an end for good and all an unhappy chapter in Russian-Polish relations.

"The closing months of the second year of the war have brought a new message of encouragement and of hope for the future to the sorely tried and indomitable Polish people."—British Wireless.



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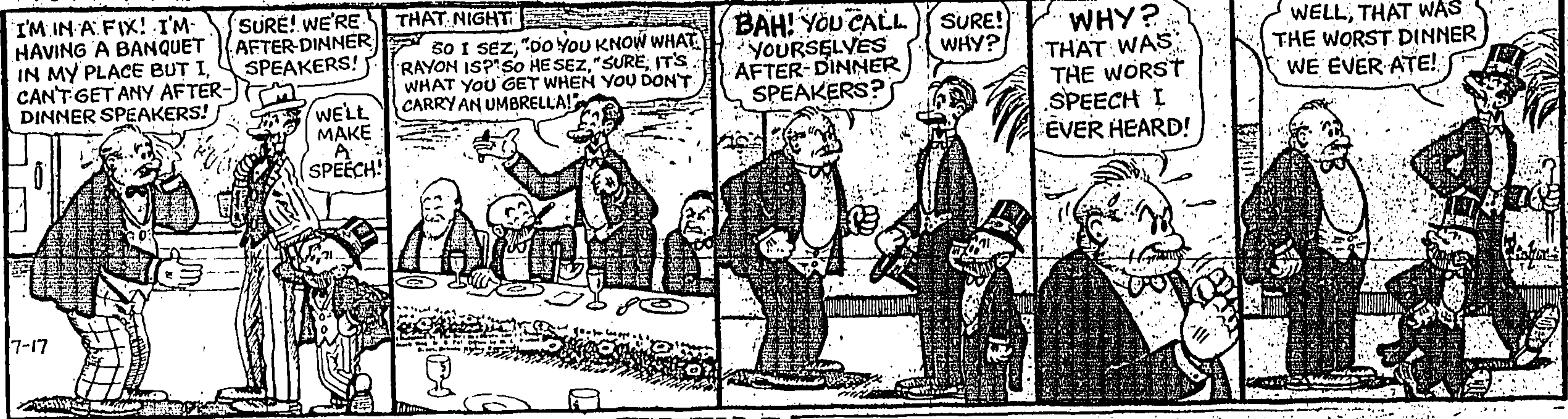
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MORE GERMAN POLICE IN ROME

New groups of German Police have arrived in Rome "to take a course in Colonial police work" at Tivoli it was announced in Rome yesterday. — Reuter.

ENEMY SHELLFIRE

IN THE FRONTIER AREA IN LIBYA THERE WAS A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF ENEMY SHELLING YESTERDAY, SAYS A BRITISH COMMUNIQUE ISSUED IN CAIRO.

At Tobruk, enemy artillery activity was less than usual.

In the Wolcherit area in Italian East Africa, a small party of Patriots, supported by a few light guns, successfully attacked an enemy position capturing a few prisoners. — Reuter.

SOVIET CONTINUES RAPID ADVANCE IN IRAN

THE ENTRY OF SOVIET troops into six more Iranian towns was officially announced in Moscow yesterday.

The advance brings them considerably nearer to the capital, Teheran, and also nearer to the regions into which the British troops have already advanced.

Hazvin — where British and Russian troops have already established contact — on the road linking Tabriz and the capital was the most important of the places entered by the Russians yesterday.

Sari and Shari are two small towns twenty miles apart — the former being 70 miles south-west of Bandar Shah, the Caspian post and the railhead.

Sebzwar, the fourth town mentioned, indicates a considerable advance. It lies just south-west of the Jaghatat Mountains and is about as far inside Iran from the Turkomenistan frontier as Meshed, which was occupied a few days ago.

Peaceful Progress

Soviet troops have also gone further southward in Eastern Iran and have entered the small towns of Turbati-Haldari and Turbati-Shaklam. These towns are about 80 miles apart opposite the north-western corner of the Afghanistan frontier.

Reports from Tabriz and elsewhere continue to emphasise the peaceful acceptance by the inhabitants of the allied entry. — Reuter.

TERMS TO IRAN

Though the terms of the settlement which has been offered to Iran by Britain and Russia are not yet known, it is confidently believed in London that they will prove generous while at the same time ensuring that the dangers of the country becoming a Nazi centre of intrigue in the Middle East shall finally be removed and that the important route of supplies to Russia through Iran shall be maintained.

General outline of the terms, as envisaged by the Press, includes the temporary occupation of certain specific areas of Iran, provision for unimpeded transport of war material to Russia through the country and the expulsion of virtually all Germans.

The terms would make it clear that such demands are made as a purely wartime expedient and that they in no way infringe respect for Iranian independence and integrity. — British Wireless.

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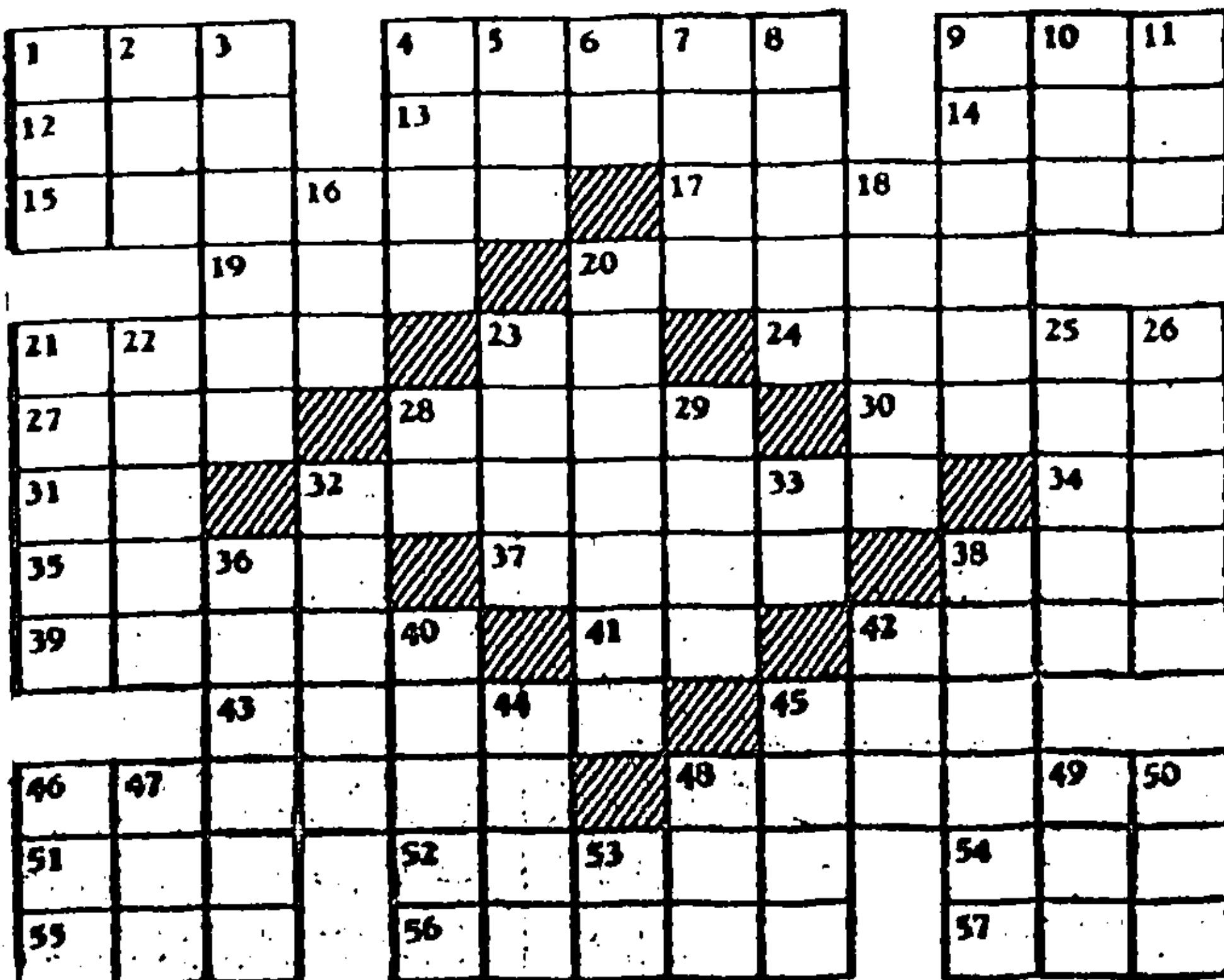
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- 21 Female horse
- 23 Greek letter
- 24 Large nail
- 27 Hummingbird
- 28 Present
- 30 Image
- 31 Sun god
- 32 To acknowledge
- 34 Symbol for ruthenium
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- 37 Appellation of Athena
- 38 To disfigure
- 39 To omit
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- 45 Roman bronze

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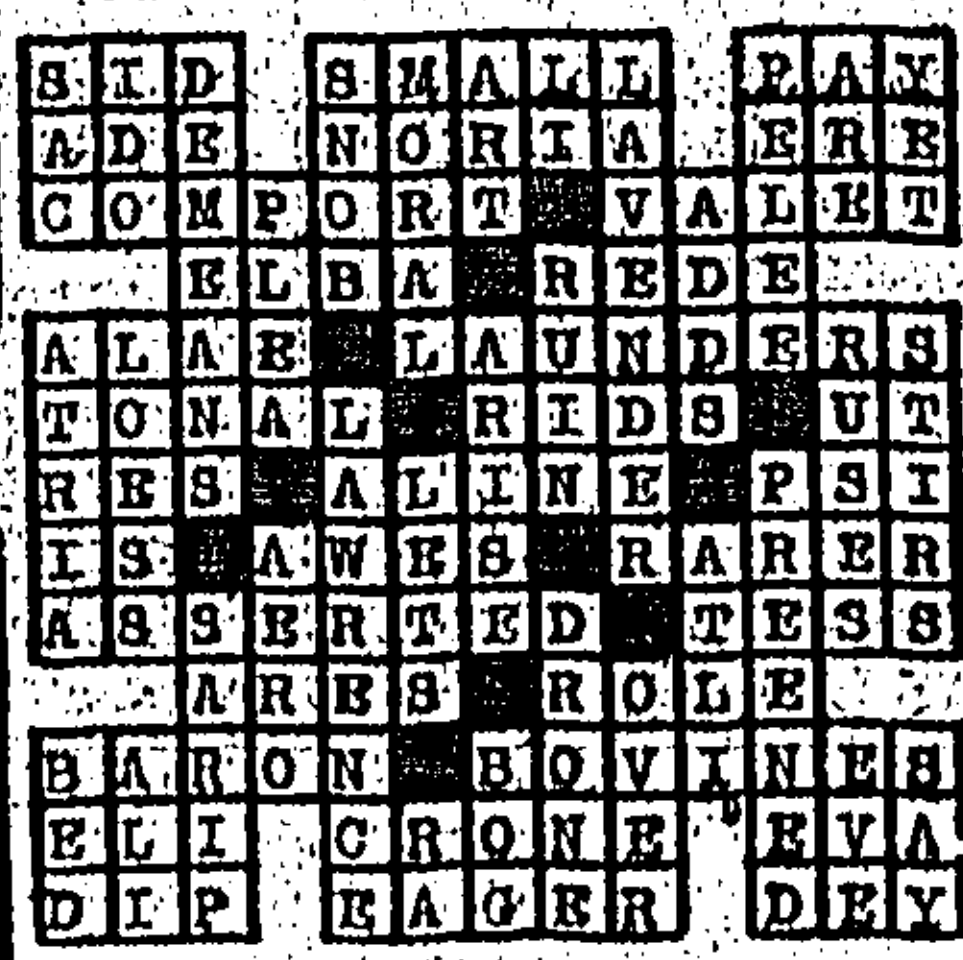
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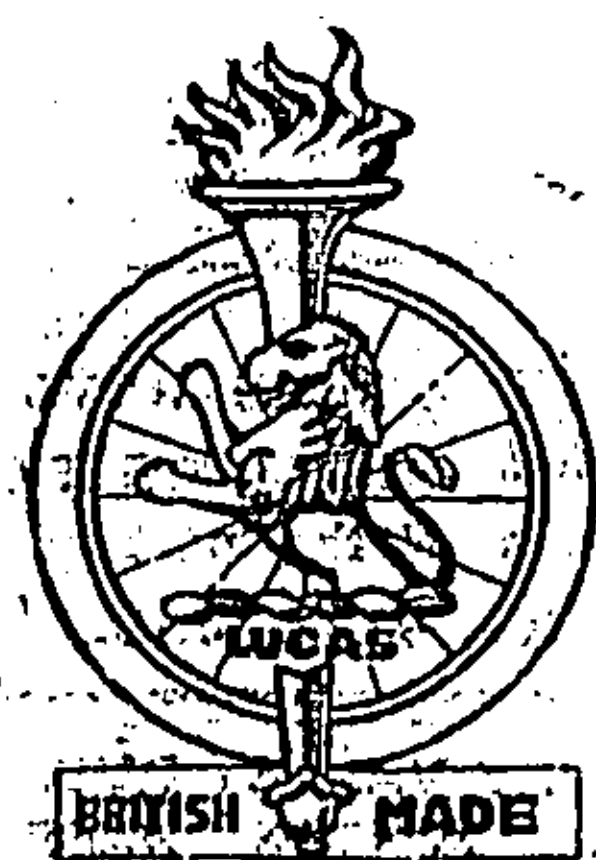
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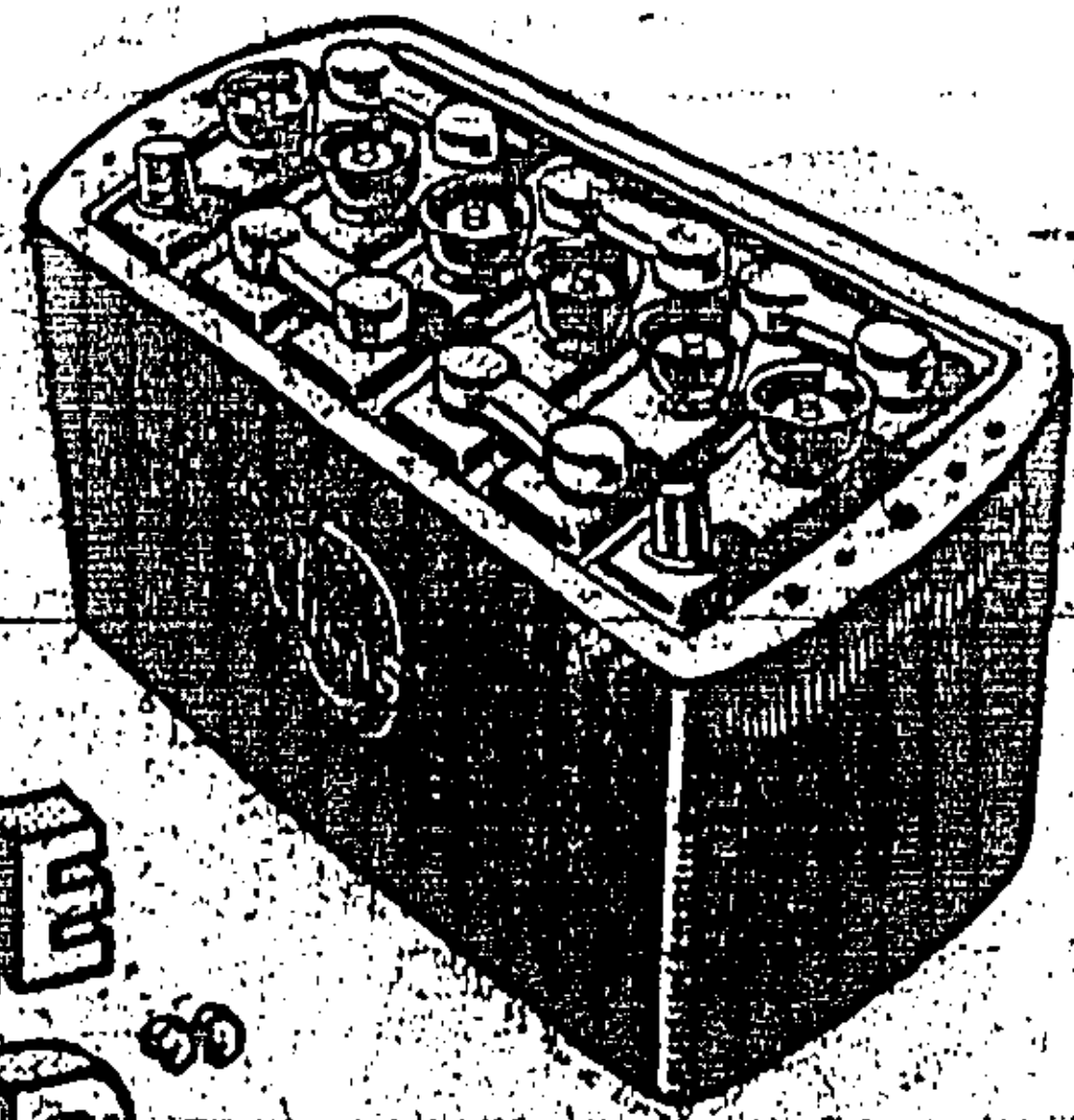
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JAPAN NOW FEARS PUSH FROM NORTH

(By OTTO D. TOLISCHUS)

PREPARATIONS FOR the American-British-Soviet military conference in Moscow have caused Japan's political interest to shift from the dangers of a further southward advance to the menace in the north. The Japanese view is summed up by the newspaper Hoochi as follows:

"We cannot remain indifferent to the report of an understanding reached between Britain, the United States and the Soviet Union for the allotment of war materials, because such an understanding will have the greatest influence not only on the Axis States grouped around Germany and Italy in Europe but also upon Soviet-Japanese relations.

"The Soviet Union's participation in the joint front with Britain and the United States, as manifested by the proposed Moscow conference, indicates the Soviet has fallen into the crafty manoeuvres of Britain.

If anything should happen to impair Soviet-Japanese relations, which have greatly improved since the conclusion of the neutrality pact, the responsibility will rest with the Kremlin."

See Full Encirclement

According to Captain Hideo Hiraide, navy spokesman, Japan and the United States are already at war economically; with the United States trying to cut off Japan's access to strategic raw materials. Furthermore, he says, the United States and Britain have completed their encirclement of the front side of Japan by naval and air bases running from the Aleutian Islands in the north to Australia, with Singapore as the central base for military operations by Britain, the United States, Netherlands Indies, Australia and China.

Captain Hiraide suspects the United States is seeking bases in Siberia and China in return for aid to the Soviet and Chungking, completing the encirclement from the rear.

"A step further," Captain Hiraide warns, "and Japan will be driven to make a decision involving her life or death. No nation with any legitimate claim to life can be expected to accept its doom without question or a struggle."

He further declares the United States underestimates Japan's strength and adds:

"If foreign people had a correct idea of Japan's real power they would never think of challenging her."

Commander Tasnoro of the Navy Ministry's publicity department declared before a gathering of Japanese newspaper and magazine writers:

"Our imperial navy is fully resolved to undergo all privations for the sake of the nation, come what may our imperial navy has passed the stage of dependence on foreign assistance and has advanced to the position where it must win all necessary domination of the sea."

Alleged Interview

Considerable interest also was evoked in Japan by an alleged interview with Lieut. Gen. Daniel Van Voorhis, commander of the United States Army in the Caribbean area and Canal Zone, cabled to the newspaper Yomiuri by Jiji Kasai, member of Parliament, who is touring South America with a parliamentary delegation. According to Mr. Kasai, General Voorhis said:

"The preparations of the United States to fight Germany are now complete. We shall enter the European war before long. We have no quarrel with Japan, but we are determined to fight until Hitler is defeated. We must oppose any country that aids our enemy."

The newspaper Miyako says: "There is no denying that Britain and the United States actually aim at stirring up the Soviet to prolong the Soviet-German war and thus reduce the Germans' strength for their attack against Britain and to guarantee Anglo-American security with the Soviet

DYING, HE DID HIS JOB

A man slipped on a piece of coal while at work and fell against some revolving machinery.

The machinery tore off his left arm and shoulder blade. He was bleeding heavily.

But he made his way down a ladder, then down five flights of eleven stairs each and switched off the electric current to stop the machinery.

This story of amazing fortitude was told at the inquest at Lewisham on Hugh James Pestell, 38, of Bourne-way, Hayes, Kent.

He worked at Woolwich Arsenal, where the accident occurred.

After switching off the current he collapsed and was taken to hospital, where he survived for seventeen days.

Dr. Abraham said at the inquest that no man could have been expected to survive more than a day after such an accident.

He said Pestell was one in a hundred and had marvellous vitality and health.

"Accidental death was the verdict."

SACK 'EM! P.M. TOLD

"We cannot tolerate a wait-and-see policy. Though a profound admirer of Mr. Churchill, I say to him: Get rid now of those small-minded mediocrities who still encumber some of our higher and lower posts."

This plea was made by Captain J. Henderson Stewart, M.P. for East Fife, in a local War Weapons Week speech.

"The Prime Minister had better change his Government of speckled talent if he does not wish to suffer the fate of Asquith in 1910," added Captain Henderson Stewart.

"We are entitled to an assurance that the Government will use the resources offered wisely and effectively. There are many of us not satisfied with the proof so far offered."

"We are being beaten in the Mediterranean because of dithering strategy, bungling organisation and appalling lack of foresight. Greece was bad enough, but Crete was worse."

as a bulwark to keep Japan in check by disturbing her southward advance in the Orient."

Such an attitude, says the newspaper, is "more laughable than foxy or sly." It then warns:

"If the peace and tranquillity of the Japan Sea, which is literally Japanese territorial waters, should be disturbed by such Anglo-American operations it goes without saying that Japan could not tolerate such developments."

P.M.G. BUYS BACK STAMPS IN CHUNKS

In safes recovered from bombed buildings have been sheets of postage stamps, the gum of which has melted joining the sheets into compact boards.

Experts can assess their value, and 5 per cent. is charged to owners for repurchase by the Post Office.

MIRACLE OF SURGERY FOR BABY'S LIFE

A wonder operation—first in this country—has been performed in a bid to save the life of the newly-born baby of Mrs. Ernest Raymond, wife of the novelist.

Mrs. Raymond gave her blood to help the surgeons, and the operation took place at Middlesex Hospital, London, when the baby was only 72 hours old.

Shortly after birth the child had been found to be suffering from jaundice. Its condition was critical.

Te one hope lay in removing the spleen—a task, it is believed never before attempted in this country on one so young.

A Middlesex Hospital official told a reporter:—So far as we can discover, this operation has never been performed outside the United States, where it is rare.

"When Mrs. Raymond was told of the baby's condition she gave a blood transfusion, and later two other donors gave blood."

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MOTIF OF VICTORY

Beethoven did not know the Morse code. But he wrote in it. By the sheerest and yet most appropriate coincidence possible, he employed as a rhythmic pattern in the first movement of his Fifth Symphony what any telegrapher would recognise as the Morse symbol for the letter V.

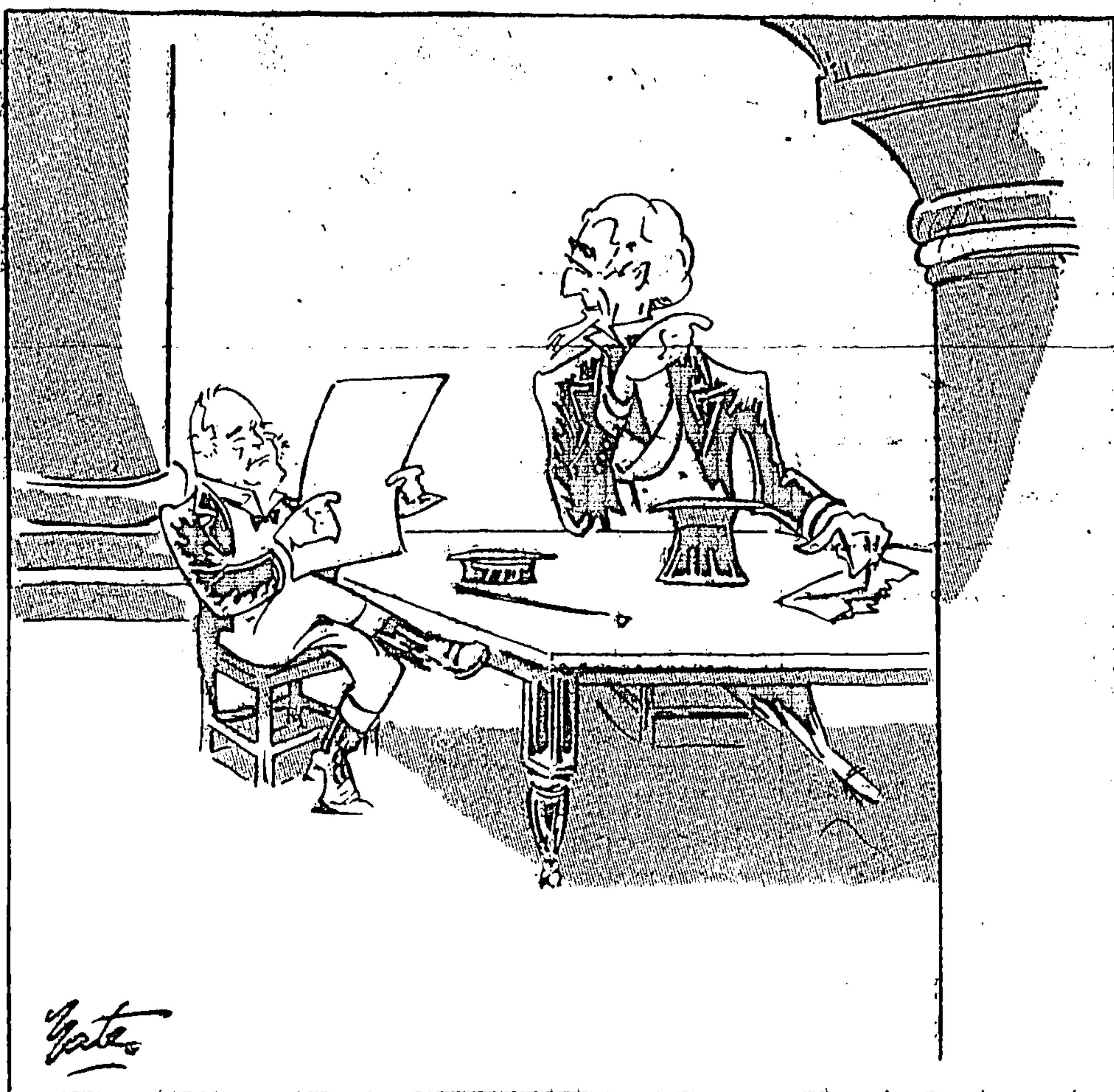
There are two coincidences here, one of them obvious and of no importance. The letter V is the Roman equivalent of the figure 5, but what matters more is that V has become in France and other occupied countries a symbol of ultimate victory over the Nazi terror. It is written on walls and elsewhere to catch the eye of Nazi overseers. It is ubiquitous. So many V's have appeared as to suggest some sort of underground organisation. As long ago as April this newspaper reported on this movement.

Now, like an increasingly unruly child, V is not only going to be seen but heard. For victims of Nazi ambition are now learning to spell it out in dots and dashes; dot-dot-dot-dash. They can even sing or whistle it, to the first four notes of the world's most familiar symphony. If Frenchmen do this as often as sentiment prompts they will reproduce most of the symphony's first movement, which is based on a constant reiteration of dot-dot-dot-dash motifs, one set overlaying another in crescendos sometimes expressive of an increasing fury, as of suppressed peoples.

Nazis seem apprehensive over this secret weapon. They are trying to cause confusion by adopting V as a symbol of Nazi victory. But those who write or sound V for freedom can, as "Colonel V. Britton" has suggested in a broadcast naming July 20 as "V Day," leave the confusion "where it belongs—in Berlin."

The Nazis may find themselves in a veritable vortex of sounds, dearly familiar to German ears but ill attuned to Nazi theories. Beethoven would never have been a Nazi. The story of his disillusion with Napoleon is twice told: how the composer had dedicated his "Eroica" Symphony to the military genius of the French Revolution only to destroy the dedication page when Napoleon began to act like a Hitler.

Beethoven would have been no more impressed



THAT'S ALL RIGHT, BUT WHAT DOES THE JAPANESE ARMY SAY?

Ferrying For The R.A.F.

"Calling Mr. Chang. Calling Mr. Chang. Will you please go to Operations Room immediately? You are required for a cross-country flight."

Mr. Chang—nobody knows him by any other name—rose from a deep armchair in the rest room at the aerodrome and went off to report to Operations Room.

This tall, charming nephew of General Chiang Kai-shek, Commander of the Chinese Army, is one of 200 pilots of the Air Transport Auxiliary, which has commandeered this station. They have relieved R.A.F. pilots of the task of transporting planes from manufacturers to R.A.F. stations. This means two flights, with this aerodrome as the intermediate stage. Planes come from the factories without armaments and other necessary fittings. Here they are fitted and flown on to the R.A.F.

A day among these pilots, such as I spent, is equal to a round-the-world trip. There are Poles, Czechs, Frenchmen, Americans, an Indian and a Spaniard, as well as English men and women.

One Hand, One Eye

I chatted over a cup of tea with one of the Poles. He was formerly one of several pilots of Lockheed air-liners operating from Warsaw. With two others, he decided to leave for Britain when it became apparent that the fall of Poland was inevitable. Each took one of the air-liners and without maps or other guides, except compasses, flew across Germany and France to Britain. "One of my companions has been killed since in a flying accident," he told me.

with Nazi ventures. One feels he would be glad to know that the motif of "fate knocking at the door," with which his Symphony V opens, has been turned into a motif of the inevitable knocking ominously on doors and windows wherever Nazi oppressors pass by.

Many of the Englishmen were pilots in the Royal Flying Corps during the last war. One of them, Capt. Keith Jopp, is the only man with a complete disability pension from the last war who is still flying. With only one hand and one eye, he transports anything from a Spitfire to a Wellington bomber.

There are others, much younger, with the necessary flying qualifications for the A.T.A.—50 hours and an "A" pilot's licence—who cannot pass the physical tests for the R.A.F.

The leader of the women is Miss Pauline Gower, who was a close friend of the late Miss Amy Johnson.

By
A 'Yorkshire Post' Reporter

son, who was also in the A.T.A. and was ferrying a plane when killed.

Five Examinations

The Americans are mostly ex-air-liner pilots. One of them, Charlie Smith, owned several planes himself and flew hunters to all parts of the American continent.

There are five examinations which every man must pass. He begins with light types and goes on to single-engine training and operational types, such as Spitfires. When through these he is a junior officer.

From there to the big stuff—light twins, such as Ansons and Oxfords, heavy twins—Wellington and Whitley bombers—and finally, the biggest and largest bombers—Halifaxes, Manchesteres and Stirlings. When he can fly all, he is made a senior officer.

I was taken on a tour of the school, 'drome and flying field by one of the pilots, Dr. M. Whitehurst, who was Medical Officer at Brooklands race track before the war.

Our first call was at the Operations Room, where pilots receive their orders for the first flights of the day. "Mr. Smith, drive to factory X and pick up a Spitfire," or "Senior Silvario, take a Magister (a training aircraft) to aerodrome Y."

Each pilot nodded and went off to the maps and signals room. Spread out on the table was a large, secret map of Britain. The station is allowed only this one copy, showing the channels of flight across Britain which these ferry pilots must use. Aerodromes, balloon barrages and A.A. batteries are marked as danger spots to be avoided, for if venturing near a plot is likely to be taken for hostile aircraft and fired on.

This, I was assured, does not happen often, but one man told me of an occasion when he went only slightly off his course over the sea and was given a hot few minutes by one of our battleships. "Which only shows how smart our Navy is," was his comment.

New Minister

The day was a special one for the pilots, ground mechanics, and work-shop men, for the new Minister of Aircraft Production, Lt.-Col. J. T. C. Moore-Brabazon, was paying them a visit. After he had toured the station they gathered on the tarmac to hear him talk to them "as a father," being one of the first men to fly an aeroplane. I stood between a begrimed, over-alled fitter and a millionaire pilot, director of a large London company.

"One of the tragedies of the world," Lt.-Col. Moore-Brabazon told them, "is that mechanical science outstrips political ambition. We see to-day an exhibition of the prostitution of one of the greatest inventions of the age. Thus I find myself in a job that is the bloodiest, most damnable and most terrorising possible."

"But it is a job to be done. Soon, by the help of our engineers, scientists and the R.A.F., that innocent red, white and blue on our machines will be seen throughout Europe, to inspire terror in those with guilty consciences. Its effect will be not only physical but such as to finish this conflict."

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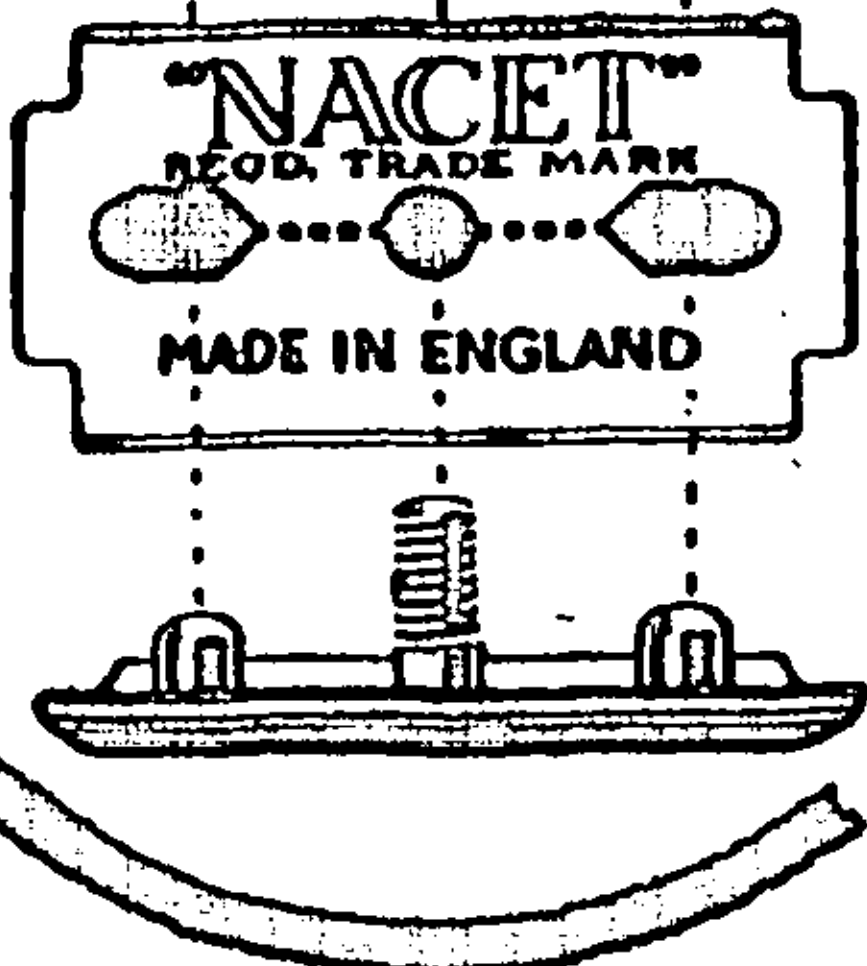
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On the Trade Unionists of this country and on their comrades in the Dominions and the U.S.A., the task now fell of seeing that their forces and those of their Allies are provided with an overwhelming mechanical and fire power in tanks, 'planes and armoured cars and guns of all descriptions.

With those they should be able to overwhelm and finally destroy the malignant enemies which menaced everything for which their movements had struggled through 150 years of effort and sacrifice.

Referring to the Prime Minister, Mr. Gibson said that they had had their quarrels with him and would have them again but at the moment he epitomised the tenacious mood to win of the British commonwealth. Never was the nation more united. They would face any and every hardship to overthrow Hitlerism.

Looking to the future, Mr. Gibson said: "Let us, as Trade Unionists, be worthy of ourselves and our history. Let us be sure that in the rebuilding of Britain, new cities shall be finer and cleaner and great in more than their aggregation of population and business."

Just Economics

"Let us make our economics juster and more equitable. Let us resolve that our international relationships shall be put upon a firmer and more permanent foundation. In the fulfilment of these great tasks we shall need the closest cooperation between all our forces, a strong and virile trade union movement and a powerful and adequately staffed labour party."

Even in the stress of this titanic struggle, Mr. Gibson concluded, they had preserved much of their ancient heritage of freedom. They were the only country at war in the world where bread was not rationed.

Their Parliament alone amongst those of belligerents had carried out extensive social reforms of lasting benefit to the toiling masses of this country.

Russia Welcomed

"Welcoming Russia as an ally, Mr. Gibson said that this did not imply the least sympathy with British Communist Party leaders. "The astonishing gyrations of these people have placed them in the lowest category in the esteem of the British working class," said Mr. Gibson. "For them, the war ceased to be an imperialist war at 4 a.m. on Sunday, June 22, 1941, when Germany attacked Russia and became a righteous one."

Mr. Gibson said that the "swollen bulfrog of the Pontine Marshes" had got what he earned, while Hitler knew what was coming to him.

Referring to Britain's war production, Mr. Gibson went on to say that it would help greatly if a certain section of the Press and certain groups of Parliament were a little more balanced in their judgment of the causes of production hold-ups.

Some of the strictures made had placed all emphasis on "absenteeism" and none of the cause of that phenomenon. Actually the production lag was due to the intensity of the national effort the growth and dispersal of factories, the immense call-up of skilled men and the spreading of a very thin level of the remainder, and a comparatively small amount of skilled management.

A Little Painfully

Nevertheless, Mr. Gibson added "on the whole and to a marvellous extent, the national effort has

been a very good one. We are striding a little painfully perhaps, with joints creaking and groaning here and there, but still striding along the high road to full industrial production."

Talking of the war aims, Mr. Gibson said that, pending the creation of a federal Europe, it was for the English speaking nations to show the way to the creation of a working federation of nations.

The United States should play its part with Britain in the process of development, not only on a trade basis, but also in the matter of political relations.

Inter-Trading System

He would not debar any continental nation from becoming a member of this bloc which would have for its main object the development of an inter-trading system for the allotment of raw materials, investments, labour and skill.

Referring to American aid, Mr. Gibson said: "I have no words adequate to express our immense gratitude to the people of the United States and among them, especially to the workers of that great citadel of liberty, for their prompt and generous aid to us in the hours of our need."

"Generations of free men yet unborn will bless them for it. To our friends across the Atlantic, I say 'Weary not in well-doing.'"

One suggestion made by Mr. Gibson in discussing post war reconstruction was that in collaboration with the Dominion Governments, the population of the Dominions should be increased by the influx of those people who would help to make them strong against the threat of further wars, and "in the process, the industrial development of the Dominions should be aided and extended by a settlement of skilled industrialists from this country."

Another Attitude

If on both sides there was less talk of immutable policies and frank recognition that the rapidly changing world demands some adaptability, at least in the interpretation of so-called fixed principles, half the battle of adjustment would be won, says the Japanese-owned "Singapore Herald" commenting on the Washington talks, adding that two things need plainest emphasis in Washington and London on the part of Japan:—

Firstly, it is not Japan's policy to threaten or attack American or British territory or interests or to close the China market."

Secondly, it is Japan's consistent policy to avoid participation in the war.—Reuter.

Air Smash

Twelve people were killed and four seriously injured when a transport plane on its way to Toulouse crashed into the Bolmon Lake near Marseilles.

One of the passengers is reported to be a member of the Franco-Italian Armistice Commission.—Reuter.

JAPANESE NAVAL SHUFFLE

Reshuffling of the Naval General Staff was officially announced in Tokyo yesterday.

Rear-Admiral Seiichi Ito is appointed Vice-Chief of the Naval General Staff, succeeding Rear-Admiral Nobuaki Kondo who has held the post since October, 1939.

Admiral Kondo has been appointed to an undisclosed post at sea.

The announcement also revealed that Rear-Admiral Nishizo Tsukahara, Commander of the Chindai Naval Station in Southern Korea, has been transferred to duty with the General Staff, with Rear-Admiral Inuta Sakamoto appointed as his successor.

Captain Shigetada Horiuchi has been appointed Chairman of the Naval Mission to French Indo-China, replacing Captain Kanye Chudo, who has been transferred as a Sectional Chief of the Naval General Staff.—Reuter.

Searing Brutal War

"Two years of searing, brutal, senseless war, during which Hitler and his satellites have pursued a callous course of making over the world to the German image."

This is how the St. Louis "Globe Democrat" describes the two years since September 1939.

"After two years, Britain and China and the Free French still stand as a barrier with the United States committed to all-out defence and engaged in rearming on a fabulous scale."

"This September finds the American conscript army in training, our largest peace-time army in history, and it finds American soldiers treading strange foreign soil well into the periphery of the danger zone."

"The Roosevelt-Churchill high seas conference resulted in the Atlantic charter, the foundation on which will rest a better world."—Reuter.

OLD JOB BARRED TO DUNKIRK MAN

"Callous and inconsiderate" is how Hugh Duffy, a former Dunfermline Corporation employee, describes the treatment he has received since his discharge from the Army after being severely wounded at Dunkirk.

He was unable to get back his superannuated job with the corporation because of his disability, and later had to get public assistance relief for his wife and six children.

Councillor Andrew Condie told Dunfermline Town Council that through its officials it had committed "one of the most unpardonable acts of injustice."

He secured a special investigation into the case.

ABCD ENCIRCLEMENT BOGEY

Bellicose Broadcast In Japan

Army Sentiments In Contrast With Konoye Caution

A HIGHLY BELLICOSE SPEECH on the alleged encirclement of Japan by the ABCD front was broadcast throughout Japan yesterday by Colonel Hayao Mabuchi, in an "East Asia Day" programme.

Colonel Mabuchi is the Japanese Army press chief and his "death struggle" broadcast is sharply contrasted with the cautious tones of the military leaders in Tokyo.

ENLISTING WOMEN FOR WAR

STATING THAT IT IS NECESSARY TO MAKE IT QUITE CLEAR THAT NEITHER THE ARMED FORCES NOR THE WAR INDUSTRIES CAN BE FULLY MOBILISED UNLESS WOMEN IN LARGE NUMBERS ARE OBTAINED, THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND NATIONAL SERVICE ANNOUNCES STINGENT MEASURES TO ACCELERATE THE FLOW OF "WOMAN POWER."

Women who have registered and decline to join one of the auxiliary services when selected for war work after interviews at Employment Exchanges will be ordered to go into war factories.

Important changes of policy have been made to tighten up the administration of the registration regulations.

Women of the 1915 class registered on Saturday.

Of the 1,500,000 or more now registered, 100,000 women have gone into services or war employment and 1,000,000 remain to be interviewed.

Meanwhile the needs for women recruits, apart from industry, steadily increase. The Auxiliary Territorial Service, for example, need 200,000 by next June. Half a million women are likely to be needed for vital war work within the next year.—British Wireless.

Leaflets Dropped In Iran

"All Germans in Iran are spies and enemies of the Iranian people," say leaflets dropped over Teheran by a Soviet plane yesterday.

"They want to make slaves of the Iranians."

The leaflets warn Iranians that the Germans, for their own interests, desire to draw Iran into a war against their friends, Russia and Britain.

"People of Iran, the hour has arrived for you to end Hitler's intrigues in Iran. Britain and Russia have taken steps to this end."

"Death to Hitlerism, which wants to make Iran like other countries the Nazis have conquered."

"Long Live Soviet-Iranian Friendship."

Leaflets on these lines were dropped both yesterday and Sunday.—Reuter.

PILOTS BORN IN INDIA DECORATED

The latest R.A.F. awards include the Distinguished Service Order to Acting-Squadron Leader Terence Patrick Armstrong Bradley, D.F.C., No. 35 Squadron, who was born in Calcutta and educated in England.

He was commissioned in 1936, promoted to Acting Squadron Leader in 1940 and won the D.F.C. in July, 1940.

The D.F.C. is awarded to Squadron Leader Charles Neil Fleming who was born in Poona in 1912 and educated at St. Joseph's College at Nini Tal. He was commissioned in 1934 and in the following year served in Iraq on flying duties.

He was promoted to Squadron Leader in June 1940. The D.F.C. is also awarded to Flying Officer Arthur John Smiltz, R.A.F. Volunteer Reserve No. 57 Squadron. Smiltz was born in Northern Bengal, served in the Mounted Rifles from 1928 to 1929 and was commissioned in the R.A.F. in March, 1940 as an air gunner.—Reuter.

"We must break through the ABCD (American, British, Chinese and Dutch) encirclement, and if necessary will use force," he declared.

"IT WOULD BE THE HIGHEST FOLLY TO SIT BY IDLY AND AWAIT DEATH," HE ADDED.

Colonel Mabuchi predicted that intensive diplomatic efforts would be continued in an attempt to overcome the very grave crisis confronting Japan, but if these efforts were to fail Japan would be obliged to employ force regardless of how long the war might last.

"IN A DEATH STRUGGLE TO SAVE OUR GREAT HISTORY, EVEN TO THE LAST MAN AND AT THE COST OF REDUCING OUR LAND TO ASHES," CONCLUDED THE COLONEL.

His speech and other expressions of similar sentiment in Japanese army quarters contrast with the attitude of civilian members of the government, who are apparently awaiting the outcome of the communications between President Roosevelt and Prince Konoye.—Reuter.

SHANGHAI SEES SMALL CHANCES OF SETTLEMENT

THE WHOLE ATTENTION of the Shanghai newspapers, especially the pro-Chungking section, remains centred on the talks between Japan and the United States.

A special despatch from Washington to the "Chinese-American Daily News," reputedly the mouthpiece of the Chungking Government, says that the United States will demand the complete withdrawal of the Japanese forces from China as one of the conditions for a settlement of the Far East crisis.

The highly influential "Shun Pao" says that the negotiations were prompted by Japan's desire to delay the outbreak of war in the Pacific so as to give her time to watch the development of the war on the eastern front.

The widely-read "National Herald" expressed the hope that the negotiations will fail because "if Japan agrees to quit the Axis, China will have to make considerable sacrifices."

Typical of pro-Nanking Chinese press comment is that of the "Central China Daily News," official organ to the Wang Chingwei regime, which remarks that the Washington talks have been forced upon America "by the

impending collapse of Soviet Russia."

Difficult To Find

The most noteworthy foreign press comment is that of the Shanghai "Evening Post" and "Mercury" which says that "common ground for Japanese-American understanding is difficult to find unless one party or the other is willing to withdraw from its avowed course."

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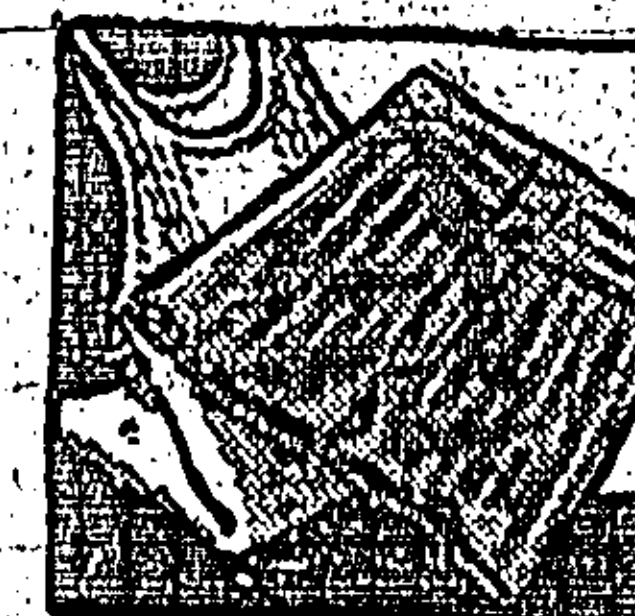


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REVERSING THE DUMMY

By The Four Aces

Very often the correct play of a hand is to ruff your losers in the dummy and set up your own, but occasionally the process must be reversed. Then you must ruff dummy's losers in your own hand, treating the dummy as the master hand and your own hand as the ordinary sort of dummy. For example:

South, Dealer			
North-South vulnerable			
NORTH			
♠ J 10 8 8			
♥ J 8 7 3			
♦ —			
♣ K Q J 9 8			
WEST			
♠ 2			
♥ A K Q 10			
♦ A Q 8 6 2			
♣ 6 4 3			
EAST			
♠ 7 6 4 3			
♥ 9 6 5 2			
♦ J 4 3			
♣ 5 2			
SOUTH			
♠ A K Q 5			
♥ 4			
♦ K 10 9 7 6			
♣ A 10 7			

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♦	Dbl.	2♠	Pass
2♠	Pass	4♠	Pass
6♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

South's bidding was optimistic, but he was helped by West's defence. West opened the King of hearts and then continued with the heart Queen. That gave South the chance to make his contract. He noted that setting up his own hand would be difficult if not impossible, but that dummy was already set up except for the hearts. The slam would be made if he could ruff out all of dummy's losing hearts, then draw trumps from the dummy, and run the clubs.

West had assisted South by leading two rounds of hearts, but South would still have to get to dummy three times more: twice to lead hearts for ruffing, and once to draw trumps and run the clubs. The three entries were easy to find — two in clubs and one in trumps.

South therefore ruffed the second heart with the spade Queen and led the low trump to dummy's eight. Another heart was ruffed by the spade King, and dummy was entered via the eight of clubs. Dummy's last heart was then ruffed by the Ace of trumps, and dummy was entered for the last time with the Jack of clubs. Dummy's trumps were then led out, drawing all of East's trumps — and south took care to discard the Ace of clubs so as not to block that suit. From there on, dummy had only winning tricks.

Yesterday you were Howard Schenken's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you held:

♠ A K 10 9 7 8
♥ A 9 4
♦ K 10 4 3
♣ —

The bidding:

Jacoby	You	Maler	Schenken
1♠	Dbl.	Pass	2♥
Pass	2♠	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♠	Pass	4♦
Pass	5♠	Pass	6♠
Pass	(?)		

ANSWER: Pass. You have invited a slam, your partner has accepted the invitation, and that is the end of the matter. To make another bid would constitute the worst sort of trapping.

Score 100% for pass, 0 for any other bid.

Question No. 810

To-day you hold the same hand, but the bidding is different:

Jacoby	You	Maler	Schenken
1♠	Dbl.	1♥	Dbl.
Pass	(?)		

What do you bid? (Answer to-morrow.)

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ARMS SOUGHT ON VASTER SCALE

FACED WITH REQUESTS from Russia for enormous quantities of war supplies, and urged by Lord Beaverbrook, British Supply Minister, to send Britain "more and more of everything," Washington officials said the defence production programme must be expanded from beginning to end.

This means not only the acceleration of procurement and manufacture but also enlargement of the whole concept of "all-out" aid to the anti-Axis allies, these officials explained.

Steps toward meeting this test are expected to follow shortly after the return to Washington of President Roosevelt, who discussed the allied supply problem in detail in his meeting at sea with Prime Minister Churchill.

One of the first moves, officials predict, will be a request from the President to Congress for a new appropriation to finance aid to Britain, Russia and China under the lease-lend programme. Estimates of the probable new fund run all the way from \$6,000,000,000 to \$10,000,000,000.

New Financing Is Proposed

The actual necessities would mean the larger sum and even more, informed persons stated, but plans for different methods of financing have been suggested that may cut the actual out-of-the-Treasury appropriation below that amount. Even with this, however, the American aid programme may be expected to necessitate the appropriation of many more billions if carried through to the end that responsible officials now foresee.

In their view it will require much more than billions in money. It will necessitate first of all the organisation of American economy on a more complete war basis, whether we enter the "shooting" war or not, and the diversion of the plant capacity of the country from peace-time to wartime manufacture on a scale that defence planners and lease-lend handlers do not believe the public has yet imagined.

The concept of the task has been growing precipitately in Washington since the arrival of Lord Beaverbrook. The British supply chief continued his conferences with defence production officials. He conferred for a short time also with Secretary of State Cordell Hull at the State Department, where he was accompanied by Viscount Halifax, British Ambassador.

Lord Beaverbrook had been reticent to discuss the details of his conferences, other than to say he was using this means to thank officials for their cooperation in extending lease-lend aid and to request of them every tank, aeroplane and ton of supplies the United States can possibly send to England.

The most obvious result of his visit to date was the impression he made on officials of the magnitude of the task before them if they are to supply an appreciable part of the munitions needed to keep Britain, Russia and China against the onslaughts of Germany, Italy and Japan.

Vast Soviet Needs Listed

Lord Beaverbrook's talks were said to be more impressive because they supplemented representations made by Constantine A. Oumansky, Russian Ambassador, concerning the probable munition needs of his country. Mr. Oumansky is said to proceed on the assumption that Russia will be in the war for many months and consequently has submitted lists of needed items which officials describe as "perfectly enormous."

The Administration is understood to be revising its new lease-lend programme to include substantial aid to Russia, although officials concede that assistance to the Soviet presents difficulties and risks, both technical and political.

Moreover, the Administration does not stop with the matter of

supplies to the non-Axis allies in its non-belligerent participation in the war for "destruction of Hitlerism." The Economic Defence Board has been set up to study other economic steps that may be taken toward this goal. Vice President Wallace, the chairman, confirmed reports that this group was already working on projects for exerting trade pressure on Japan and for aiding Free French territory in Africa. He declined, however, to go into detail as to the plans of the board.

SOLDIERS ON FARMS

The Army is to aid farmers.

Australian and New Zealand Forces, with farming experience, training in Britain, are to be drafted on to the land.

This will be part of the Ministry of Agriculture's coming drive to put still more acres under the plough.

Though most farm workers are reserved at 25, there is a tremendous shortage of men. In ten years 700,000 men have left the land.

The drafting of Dominions troops into farm work will not affect the Women's Land Army, which is still not big enough.

Extra Pay

The soldiers will do work too heavy for the women.

Commanding officers in rural areas are encouraged to allow the men in their command to do farm work in their spare time, for which they will receive extra pay.

An agreement has been in existence for some time where by Canadians can be put to forestry work and such like.

PLAN CHILD BONUSES

A family allowances scheme is to be considered by a Parliamentary committee. Five shillings a week for each child under the age of fifteen is the most popular proposal.

Action is expected before the war ends.

This plan is only part of a complete survey of social conditions to be made by an interdepartmental committee under the Minister Without Portfolio, with Sir William Beveridge as chairman.

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HUSKINSON GOES BACK

"I feel like a little boy going back to school after his holidays," said Air Commodore Huskinson, our No. 1 back-room bomb scientist on his first day back at work since he was blinded in a London raid.

Commodore Huskinson is still barely able to distinguish figures or objects before him, and cannot yet see to read or write.

"But it's grand to be back at my desk again," he said before he started directing operations in the secret department of the Ministry of Aircraft Production.

He put in a full day's work, starting punctually at nine. Though up to now he has only removed his dark glasses to go to bed, he took them off in his office.

Important correspondence and papers were read to him, diagrams described, and he dictated several letters to a shorthand typist.

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12.15 p.m.—Short Service of Intercession.
12.30 p.m.—Victor Silvester and His Orchestra.

Quick-Step—If I Were Sure Of You (from film "Cotton Club Parade"—Bloom); Waltz—Love Serenade (from film "Let Freedom Ring"—Wright); Swing-Step—I'm Gettin' Sentimental Over You (Washington-Basse); Quick-Step—Shy (Strauss-Dale); Rumba—Green Eyes (Mendendez); Slow Fox-Trot—Once In A While (Green Edwards); Waltz—Glenn Miller (from film "Firefly"—Harbach-Frini); Quick-Step—In The Middle Of A Dream (Swan-Dorsey); Waltz—Love Never Grows Old (Harry Parr-Davies).

1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Programme Summary.

1.02 p.m.—Ken Harvey (Banjo) and Harry Torran (Vocals).

Melodies Of Yesterday—Intro: Nobody's Sweetheart; Whispering: Avalon; Margie; China Town; I'll See You In My Dreams; Indiana; Somebody Stole My Gal.

On A Southern Plantation—Intro: Old Black Joe; Oh! Suzanna; My Old Kentucky Home; Dixie; Swanee River; Waiting For The Robert E. Lee... Ken Harvey with Piano.

Dan, Dan, The Yodelling Man (Torran); Sitting In A Jail House (Torran)... Harry Torran & Guitar.

A Musical Journey From New York To California—Intro: Give My Regards To Broadway; Bye, Bye, Blues; St. Louis Blues; California, Here I Come. The World Is Waiting For The Sunrise (Seltz)... Ken Harvey with Instr. Quartette.

Yodel All Day: Yodeller's Dream Girl (Torran)... Harry Torran & Guitar.

Doll Dance (Brown)... Ken Harvey with Orchestra.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—Excerpts from Ivor Novello's Shows.

"Careless Rapture"—Why Is There Ever Good-bye; Studio Scene—A Bit Of Opera (Novello)... Ivor Novello, Dorothy Dickson & Olive Gilbert with Drury Lane Theatre Orchestra.

"Careless Rapture"—The Miracle Of Nicaeae—Temple Ballet Music (Ivor Novello, arr. Charles Prentice)... Drury Lane Theatre Orch.

"The Dancing Years"—The Wings Of Sleep (Novello-Hassall)... Mary Ellis & Olive Gilbert with Ivor Novello (Piano) & Drury Lane Theatre Orchestra.

"Glamorous Nights"—Shine Through My Dreams... Trevor Jones (Tenor) with Orchestra.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

6.00 p.m.—Indian Programme.

6.45 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.47 p.m.—Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—South American Way; We Can Live On Love (from "Streets Of Paris")... Swing and Sway with Sammy Kaye.

Tangos—Trapo Viejo; Horas Fugaces... Orquesta Tipica.

Fox-Trots—These Things You Left Me; We Could Make Such Beautiful Music... Wayne King & his Orch.

Slow Fox-Trots—Moonlight and Mimosas; When I Dream Of Home... Joe Loss & his Orchestra.

Spanish Pasodoble—Abanicos Y Mantillas; Una Morena Y Una Rubia... Don Rico & his Gypsy Girls' Orch.

Fox-Trots—Bless 'Em All; Good-Morning Sergeant-Major... Lew Stone & his Band.

Waltzes—Beautiful Ohio; Missouri Waltz... Glenn Miller & his Orch.

7.30 p.m.—Portuguese Programme.

8.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

8.15 p.m.—London Relay—War Commentary.

8.25 p.m.—London Relay—"Listening Post". Examination of Points in Daily German Propaganda.

8.30 p.m.—Programme Summary.

8.32 p.m.—New Variety.

Vocal—I'm Knee Deep In Daisies (Ash, Shay, Goodwin); Cecilia (Dreyer, Ruby)... Whispering Jack Smith with Orchestra.

Piano—Just One Of Those Things; Just A Mood (Cole Porter)... Garland Wilson.

Vocal—Roundup Lullaby (Clark, Rose)... Bing Crosby with Orch.

Trio—When April Sings; Waltzing In The Clouds (both from film "Spring Parade")... Albert Sandler Trio.

Duets—A Medley Of Songs & Duets by Anne Ziegler & Webster Booth—Intro: Until; Love's Old Sweet Song; I Hear You Calling Me; Two Little Words; Deep In My Heart; Dear; I'll Walk Beside You; I Give You My Heart; I'll See You Again... with Orchestra.

9.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Announcements.

9.02 p.m.—Studio—Recital by Captain Thomson (Bass) with E. O'Neill Shaw at the Piano.

1. (a) O. Isis and Osiris ("The Magic Flute"—Mozart); (b) "Quiet Night" (Schubert); (c) The Great Adventure (Percy E. Fletcher)... Captain Thomson (Bass) with Piano accomp.

2. Selected Piano Solo... E. O'Neill Shaw.

2. (a) Myself When Young ("In A Persian Garden"—Lehmann); (b) Hall, Music! (Gould)... Captain Thomson (Bass) with Piano accomp.

9.30 p.m.—Orchestral Selections.

The Immortals—Concert Overture (Reginald King)... The London Symphony Orchestra cond. by Walter Gocher.

Intermezzo from "Bajaz" (Leonchavallo)... Stato Opera Orchestra.

9.48-10.00 p.m.—News in French (on Short Wave only).

9.45 p.m.—Coleridge-Taylor—"Otello" Suite. The New Symphony Orchestra conducted by Dr. Malcolm Sargent.

10.00 p.m.—London—The News and News Commentary.

10.15 p.m.—An Hour with Schubert.

Impromptu In E Flat Major, Op. 90, No. 2... Eileen Joyce (Piano Solo).

Serenade... De Groot (Violin), Gibraro (Piano) and J. Samehlini (Cello).

The Trout, Op. 32; Laughing and

Sollum Battle Ended In Draw

"THE BATTLE of Sollum ended in a draw," declares the Special Correspondent of "The Times" at Cairo.

"I can speak only of the Sollum battlefield—the coastal plain and the slopes of the escarpment. Owing to casualties among the war correspondents' transport, we were unable to follow the battle of tanks on the plateau, where enemy dive-bombers joined in at a heavy cost in men and machines.

"The first day's fighting before Sollum ended in our men disputing possession of the Halfaya (Hellfire) Pass. At dawn next day, under cover of a heavy ground mist, our attack was renewed. Both the weather and the terrain suited the Highlanders, who formed the left flank. Within two hours the enemy was driven out of fortified positions at the head of the pass.

"Indian troops on the right encountered stronger opposition, and never did the pass so well deserve its lurid nickname as it did that day, when it echoed incessantly to the murderous challenge of machine-gun fire.

"Meanwhile, with the Highlanders holding the head of the pass, another column of our infantry, supported by a squadron of tanks, advanced along the ridge of the escarpment, where it sweeps in a vast semi-circle towards the headland behind Sollum.

"On this headland stands an old Egyptian barracks, gleaming white against the brown sand. The German garrison there, about a battalion strong, abandoned their position, and, with the town below no longer tenable, made their way along the shores of Sollum Bay to the mouth of Hellfire Pass. But there was no escape by the pass. The only hope was to withdraw to the beach and make a stand with their backs to the sea.

Tables Turned

"There was a certain grim, if short-lived, satisfaction in the knowledge that for once was the enemy called on to defend himself on a beach.

"Meanwhile, the Indians in Hellfire Pass, fighting tirelessly, made good progress, and a few Germans who had escaped death or capture manned isolated machine-guns on the western slopes of the pass. From these posts they kept up a harassing fire, which took a fairly heavy toll of the Indians.

"The front remained quiet throughout the night. From time

to time, the Germans on the beach below Sollum sent up Verey lights.

"The next enemy counter-attack developed far to the south beyond Sidi Omar.

"A formidable Panzer (armoured) force sighted from the air was too good a chance for the R.A.F. to miss. Nine Blenheims, flying in tight formation from a height of 3,000 feet, scattered tanks and armoured forces in all directions.

Ten tanks were among the wreckage strewn on the desert, but the threat of an encircling movement was too serious to be ignored, and the order was given for a general withdrawal to our original positions.

"As our troops pulled back from the Hellfire Pass along the 'Via Mussolini', Panzer squadrons loomed over the coastal escarpment. They remained poised there for a moment, and then poured down the slopes like dark torrents and raced across the coastal plain—just too late."

BOYS CAPTURE NAZI

Three evacuee boys captured a wounded Nazi airman, and took him to a police station three miles away.

The boys, 17-year-old twins, Edward and David Smith and Desmond Mercer, aged 15, came across the airman after they had been to see the wreckage of his plane, one of the bombers shot down by our fighters at the night.

"We had driven about two miles on our homeward journey," they said, "when we saw the airman lying beside a lonely road, waving his arm feebly.

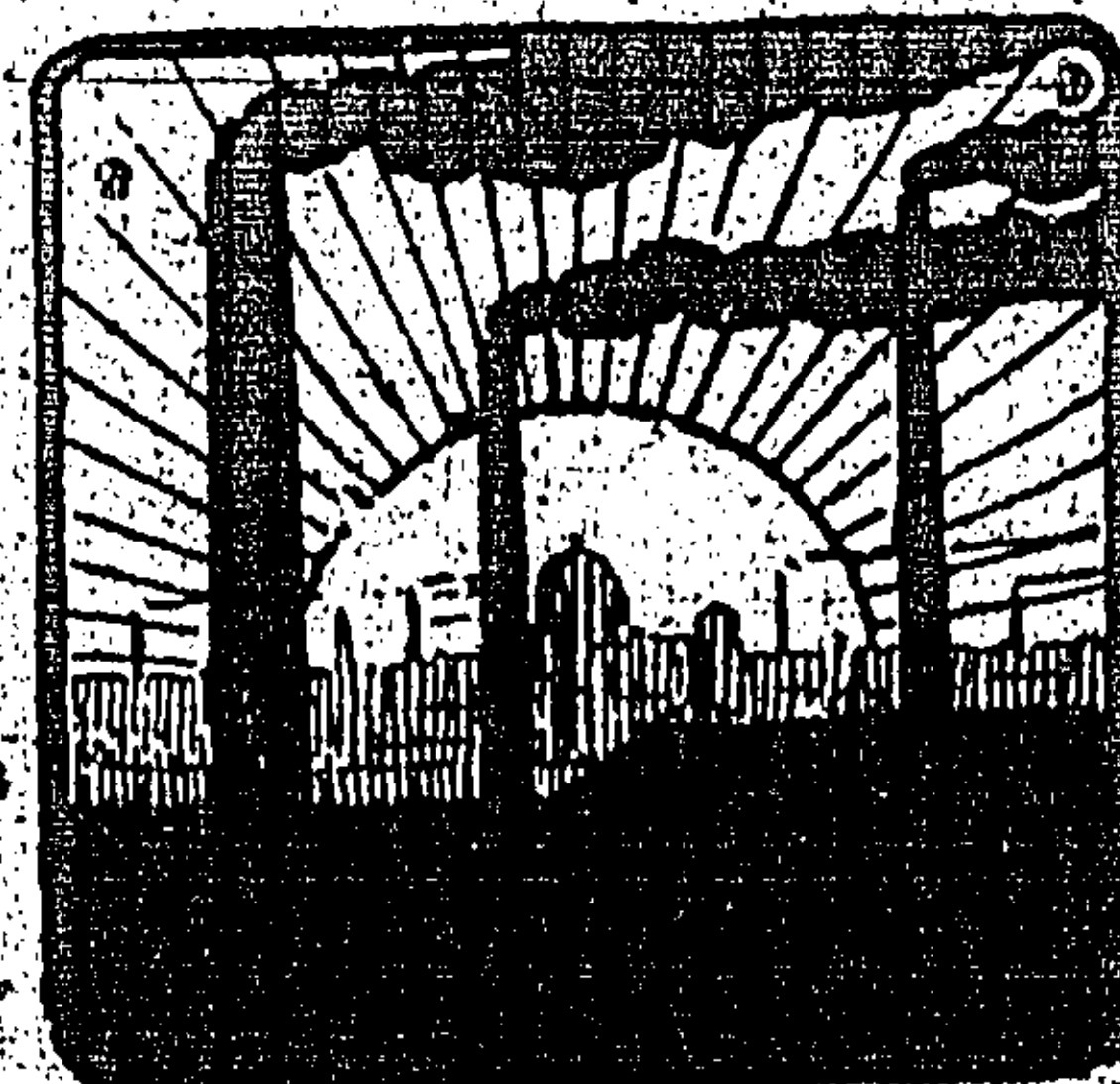
"He asked us for water, but someone else came along and gave him milk and cucumber sandwiches. He had a bad bullet wound in the leg, and had dressed the injury himself, making splins from pieces of wood he had found, and binding these to his leg with pieces of his parachute cord.

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COLONY LAWN BOWLS CHAMPIONSHIP DRAWS ANNOUNCED

The draw for the quarter-finals of the Colony Lawn Bowls Open Pairs Championship was made last evening and as a result the holders, F. V. V. Ribeiro and H. A. Alves, will meet the winners of the game between S. R. Solina and K. M. Omar and S. Eccleshall and J. Shepherd.

Draw for the First Round of the Open Singles and the semi-finals of the Rinks Championship were also made. In the latter competition, U. M. Omar's rink will meet the four led by A. J. Hall.

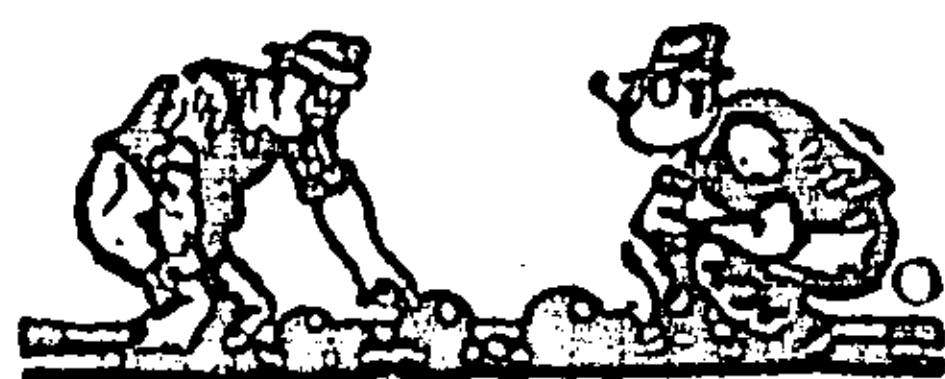
It will be recalled that Omar's four recently beat the holders (R. Basa, A. E. Coates, J. S. Landolt and C. S. Rosset) and they are favourites for the title this year.

M. N. Rakusen, holder of the singles title, meets R. M. Mackenzie in the First Round of the Singles.

Results of the draw were as follows:

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2
At Kowloon F.C.
L. F. Xavier v J. C. Gill
J. C. Aiken v F. Curtis
At Kowloon B.G.C.
H. F. Shields v A. J. Hall
A. E. P. Guest v L. A. Gutierrez
At Civil Service C.C.
E. Kirmon v H. E. Strange
T. C. Monaghan v F. Nolan
At Craigengower C.C.
J. W. Harrop v A. H. Rumjahn
C. Downman v W. McLeod
At Club de Recreio
F. C. Fincher v J. McKelvie
R. Leigh v W. Nash
At Kowloon C.C.
H. Nish v Y. H. Tang
A. Eastman v B. W. Bradbury
At Hong Kong F.C.
J. S. Riddell v A. M. Omar
W. Ward v R. T. Broadbridge

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3
At Kowloon B.G.C.
F. Channing v R. S. Meadows
J. G. Meyer v R. Duncan
W. L. Walker v L. Sykes
At Kowloon C.C.
C. H. Basto v Y. Abbas
R. F. da Luz v A. E. Coates
At Kowloon F.C.
A. Hyde-Lay v J. Shepherd
T. A. Madar v J. F. McGowan
At Civil Service C.C.
M. R. Abbas v C. Gowlan
K. M. Omar v A. Lapsley
At Police R.C.
W. V. Field v S. M. Rumjahn
J. S. Landolt v H. Overy
At Hong Kong F.C.
W. Mair v C. S. Rosset
D. A. Rozaro v M. F. Alarcon
At Craigengower C.C.
A. Brooksbank v S. H. Marvin
E. G. Post v J. J. Basto
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4
At Kowloon B.G.C.
E. de Souza v C. W. Lam
At Police R.C.
W. B. Harris v J. Hayward
R. M. Ogden v M. E. Purvis



At Hong Kong F.C.
A. G. Gratton v J. H. Gelling
B. A. Mansell v A. W. Hircok
At Civil Service C.C.
D. M. Khan v G. Perkins
W. C. Simpson v U. M. Omar
At Prison Officers' Club
W. J. Bagley v W. C. Higgs
At Kowloon F.C.
R. M. Mackenzie v M. N. Rakusen (holder)
J. McCutcheon v T. E. Coleman
At Craigengower C.C.
A. M. Holland v V. S. Ebbage
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5
At Kowloon B.G.C.
J. E. Henson v H. White
S. A. Gray v W. J. Howard
Byes: W. K. Way, T. R. Hunter, A. Shepherd, J. E. Noronha, M. Ferguson, J. Hempsey, E. Zimmerman, H. F. Harper, F. X. M. da Silva, C. M. da Silva, B. Basto, W. J. Burling, A. J. J. Iott, W. Hong Sling, C. G. Silva, C. A. Gough, L. A. Jordan, A. E. Carney, A. R. Dallah, R. Basa, E. A. Atkins and N. A. E. Mackay.

Open Pairs (Quarter Finals)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10
At Kowloon F.C.
W. L. Walker and R. Duncan v N. J. Bebbington and J. F. McGowan
At Civil Service C.C.
L. J. Silva and J. F. V. Ribeiro v D. A. Rozario and J. S. Landolt
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11
At Police R.C.
A. M. Omar and U. M. Omar v H. R. Pinna and B. Basto
At Kowloon B.G.C.
S. R. Solina and K. M. Omar v S. Eccleshall and J. Shepherd v H. A. Alves and F. V. V. Ribeiro (holders).

Open Rinks (Semi-Finals)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14
W. McLeod, W. B. Harris, W. S. Dall and J. Shepherd v J. Hoosen, A. H. Rumjahn, A. R. Dallah and M. R. Abbas
A. M. Omar, K. M. Omar, B. W. Bradbury and U. M. Omar v L. Sykes, W. McNeill, R. Duncan and A. J. Hall.

IT'S WORSHIP AS USUAL

Claimed to be the first bombed English church to be fully restored, St. Peter's Church, Fulham, was in-use-again-the other day. It was badly hit last autumn, but the parishioners promptly gave £400 for repairs.

SHIPPING LOSSES STILL TOO HIGH

"The Times" publishes a graph, analysing British mercantile shipping losses of the past 30 months, and comparing these with losses in 1917-18.

The graph shows that the enemy has not succeeded in this war in reaching the rate of shipping destruction achieved in April, 1917, when Britain lost 550,000 tons.

Nevertheless, says "The Times," the rate of destruction in this war has been about half of the 1917 peak level of the past year. That level, it says, indicates a dangerous situation which was not in hand up to June.

However, a fall in the curve, recently, indicates the beginning of an improvement. It is to be hoped the improvement will be maintained, but the public is not to know that because regular figures will no longer be issued.

HISTORIC LOCKET FOUND

When, just before laying down his head on the executioner's block, in 1794, Georges Jacques Danton said, "My bed soon will be annihilation, but I shall live in the Pantheon of history," little did he dream that nearly a century and a half later a locket bearing a representation of his head would be dug up in a suburban garden in far-off Australia.

The locket was unearthed recently at Shakespeare Street, Coparparoo, by Mr. W. L. Nicklin. He has presented it to the Museum, and the director (Mr. H. A. Longman) says it is a valuable addition to the institution's collection.

Danton was the leader of the movement which resulted in the destruction of the Bastille and the setting up of the tribunal which afterwards included him amongst its victims. He, however, had said, "I prefer being guillotined to guillotining."

CLIMB DOWN BY BEVIN

Mr. Churchill did a double "climb-down" turn in the Commons for Mr. Ernest Bevin, Labour Minister, recently.

First Mr. Henderson Stewart (Fife, E.) called attention to a declaration made by Mr. Bevin that criticism about absenteeism nauseated him.

Mr. Stewart asked if this statement of Mr. Bevin's represented the Government view.

Mr. Churchill replied that Mr. Bevin had told him he was not referring to informed criticism, but was condemning exaggerated statements based on individual instances.

The Government was in general agreement with the views expressed by the Select Committee said the Premier.

Mr. Stewart next asked if the Prime Minister's attention had been called to Mr. Bevin's declaration that it was clear that in the war effort the command of the Navy, Army and Air Force must be united.

Mr. Churchill said he understood from the Minister of Labour that he did not intend to make a declaration of the kind suggested.

RUSSIAN IN ANZAC AIR FORCE

Vladimir Vitte, 31, a naturalised Russian tractor driver, from Tully, has been accepted for air crew by Brisbane Air Force recruiting authorities.

Vitte, who was born and educated in China, is believed to be the first Russian accepted for air crew in Queensland. He has been 16 years in the State. Recruiting officials said that he was a particularly fine type of recruit.

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BODY "LOST": BURIED BAGS OF SAND

THE WIDOW and other relatives of a man killed in a blitzed town somewhere in England followed a coffin to the graveside and saw it buried.

But a few days later it was found that the coffin contained only sandbags — placed there by the undertaker to save the family further anguish, since the body could not be found.

The story is one of official blundering. Three times the relatives made arrangements for the funeral, and each time the hearse arrived at the mortuary the body could not be found.

Various explanations were offered by the officials—that the body had been taken to another mortuary; that it had been confused with some other body.

Then the undertaker took matters into his own hands. There would be a funeral, and he would put an end to the muddle that had added to the family's grief.

One morning the mourners followed the coffin to the grave, and the last rites were performed. They went home, be-

lieving that their loved one was at last at rest. They did not know that the misapplied sympathy of the undertaker had led him to fill the coffin with sandbags.

His secret was not discovered till a mortuary attendant shocked the family by demanding to know when the body, which, he said, was still in the mortuary, was going to be buried.

Permission from the Home Office was obtained for the coffin to be exhumed.

The real funeral has now taken place, secretly, so that the widow, who is ill, will not know what happened.

NEW AUSTRALIANS TO COST \$900

The 70 new Australian Subscription ponies, to be raced in 1942 and which were recently imported into the Colony, will be drawn for at the end of this month, the cost per pony being \$900, inclusive of livery and charges to the date of draw.

HAWAIIAN SWIMMERS WIN TITLES

A new American 400 Metres free style relay record was created by the Hawaiian swimming team on August 24 when they clocked 4 min. 2.3 sec.—shattering the existing record of 4 min. 6.8 sec. established by Yale University in 1935.

Participating in a Los Angeles swimming meet, the team was composed of Bill Smith, Paul Perron, Charles Oda, and Takashi Hirose.

On the same day Chieko Miyamoto placed first in the Women's 100 Metre back-stroke in 1 min. 23.4 sec.

In the 100 Metre free-style event on August 25 Hirose won in 58.7 sec. while Chieko Miyamoto clocked 3 min. 17 sec. to win the Women's 200 Metres breast-stroke.

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MARQUES IN SHANGHAI BOWLS FINAL

WINNING CONSISTENTLY ON HALF AND THREE-QUARTER ENDS, B. F. MARQUES CREATED A MAJOR UPSET IN THE SEMI-FINALS OF THE LAWN BOWLS SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP, HELD ON AUGUST 26 AT THE GREENS OF THE SHANGHAI LAWN BOWLS CLUB, WHEN HE ELIMINATED THE STRONGLY FAVOURED A. MARSHALL FROM THE CONTEST BY 21-10. WRITES THE "NORTH CHINA DAILY NEWS."

It was a touch-and-go proposition all the way through and even until the 24th end the outcome still hung in the balance as, had any one of Marshall's shots carried the jack, the score would have been tied and the game extended to 25 ends.

Meanwhile in the second semi-final tussle, W. R. Chisholm justified his early favouritism to triumph convincingly over his Club mate, A. B. Hogg, by the score of 21-14. The encounter was productive of a much higher brand of bowls than that in the Marques-Marshall fixture as woods by both players were laid close to the jack.

Pairs Semi-Finalists

Following were the results of the quarter-final games in the Open Pairs on August 24:

R. C. Aitkenhead and F. C. McPherson lost to G. N. Manley and T. G. J. d'Almeida 14-18; G. B. Stormes and A. L. Roberts lost to A. Marshall and A. McLean 12-23; C. M. Keenan and L. A. Greenhalgh lost to H. A. Ozorio and F. Machado 12-28; J. O. Drysdale and W. Simpson lost to W. J. Monk and W. J. Ward 9-32.

SHANGHAI CRICKET

A strong Rec's XI beat a Parsee XI in Shanghai on August 26 by 134 runs. L. Marcal 23, J. H. Anderson 35, N. Hart-Baker 36 and H. P. Madar 42 contributed to their total of 198, while A. F. Gomes took 4 for 13 to help dismiss the Parsees for 64 (S. F. Shroff 26). M. J. Divecha took 6 Rec's wickets for 45 runs in 10.5 overs.

On the day previous A. Lingard's XI beat H. A. Crickmer's XI by 11 runs, F. A. Pitts scoring 48 for the former and A. J. Harvey 30 and W. V. K. Chadwick 42 for the latter.

Mr. Lawrence Kadoorie will give a lecture at Jewish Recreation Club to-morrow at 9.15 p.m. on "Various aspects of Jewish life in Europe to-day." Any one wishing to attend may secure an invitation from the Hon. Secretary, Tel. 31175.



Chang Kam-hoi will be playing at centre-half for Eastern until Hsu King-seng is fit again.

FOOTBALLERS REGISTERED WITH H.K.F.A.

Following Royal Scots players have been registered with Hong Kong Football Association: — L/Cpl. Larkin, Pte. Auld, Pte. D. Gibb, Pte. S. Parnaby, Pte. Salter, Pte. Falconer, L/Cpl. Gibson, Pte. Gardiner, Pte. Adamson, L/Cpl. R. Parnaby, Pte. Forrest, Pte. Clark, Pte. Moore, Pte. Woods, Pte. Fraser, L/Cpl. Fowler, Pte. Thomson, L/Cpl. Munro, L/Cpl. Hunter, Pte. Laws, L/Cpl. Wiseman, Sgt. Fraser, Pte. Clarke, Cpl. Marshall, Pte. Hossack, Pte. Bailey, Pte. D. Fleming, Pte. McDonald.

Following are the Royal Air Force players registered: J. Gracie, G. Smith, E. R. Cherrett, N. Baugh, W. MacDonald, H. B. Gray, T. Bartlett, L. Goodwin, R. Callaghan, J. Moore, J. Berry, L. Richardson, J. Fawcett, G. Naylor, A. Paling, W. Smith, N. Binning, D. Highlands.

TWO GALAS TODAY

A very interesting programme has been arranged for the Inter-Club swimming gala at European Y.M.C.A. to-night when the "Y", Combined Artillery, Fortress Royal Engineers, Middlesex and Small Units will be competing.

No entrance fee will be charged at this gala, which is being held in aid of the British Prisoners of War Fund, but a box will be placed at the door and donations will be welcome.

It is hoped that the water-polo game between Army and Navy, postponed for over two months, will be included in the programme.

On the Hong Kong side of the harbour, South China A.A. will be holding their fourth gala of the season, at North Point, commencing at 7.30 p.m. and this, too, promises swimming of a high order, especially in the Open Men's 200 Metres free-style Relay.

SAINTS DEFENDING TITLE

St. Joseph's, holders of the First Division Softball League title, will be defending their title this season.

H. Winglee has been appointed manager of the team and D. Leonard captain.

Pawloski, who played centre-field for them last season, has joined Merry Madcaps, and his place will be filled by A. R. Abbas.

Following are their players: — H. Winglee, F. Gonsales, S. Leonard, J. Ozorio, G. Souza, D. Leonard, Ali, Abbas, Hussain, Manson and Leonard.

Sgt. Ross, of Hong Kong Police, who gave up refereeing two seasons ago owing to his transfer to the New Territories and also to sickness, will be officiating again this coming season.

EASTERN WILL MISS HSU IN THEIR OPENING LEAGUE ENCOUNTERS

By "Referee"

EASTERN, RUNNERS-UP IN FIRST DIVISION OF HONG KONG FOOTBALL LEAGUE FOR THE PAST TWO SEASONS, SHOULD AGAIN MAKE A BOLD BID FOR THE TITLE AS THE COMMITTEE ARE VERY CONFIDENT THAT ALL LAST SEASON'S PLAYERS WILL REMAIN LOYAL TO THEM.

The recent tour to Australia benefited the players greatly and the experience thus gained should stand them in good stead.

They will, however, be without the services of Hsu King-seng, their pivot, for some time as he is suffering from water on the knee following an injury sustained while on tour with South China recently. Hsu has been the mainstay of the Eastern defence for several seasons, and the gap will be hard to fill satisfactorily.

Eastern have, however, discovered that Chang Kam-hoi, an inside-forward, is an even better half-back, having played some rattling good games as right-half in Australia, and he will probably be seen in the pivotal position until Hsu's return.

Lau Hing-hon will again be seen in goal, with Tsui Hang as a

useful stand-by. Kong Sing-king, who did not play in many games last year, will be available. Last season he was transferred to Macao and played only occasionally. Ng Kee-cheong and Y. S. Yen are the other backs available, though Ng is equally at home in the intermediate line, where his height and head-work are his main assets.

Lo Wants Rest

Lo Wai-kuen, who toured Malaya with South China, will be seen at right-half, but this player has expressed a desire to take a rest during the first weeks of the season, in which case Ng Kee-cheong will probably be seen at right-half, with Chang Kam-hoi in the pivotal position and Lau

Tsui-chun at left-half. The defence is a fairly good one, but much depends on how well Chang Kam-hoi plays at centre-half.

The normal forward line will be Chung Yung-sum, Lau Fook-chuen, V. K. Hyui, C. T. Tsao and Hau Ching-to.

Lau's Chance

Lau Fook-chuen, who played for Kwong Wah last season, will be given a chance in the forward line, where he will play in Chang Kam-hoi's position. Hau Ching-to is the better winger as Chung Yung-sum, who also toured Malaya with South China, showed a distinct decline in form at the end of last season and also on tour.

C. T. Tsao will be seen at inside-left, but he is equally at home in any position in the attack and, in fact, excels on the wing. Last season Eastern were forced to withdraw their junior team, but competed in the Junior Shield, only to be beaten in the First Round. This season they have again entered Second Division, and it is expected that a fairly good team will be fielded, consisting of a number of players who were prominent in the Small-Ball League during the Summer.

Pauline Baxter, C.B.A. hockey player, is leaving for Australia shortly.

Clarence Tott, pitcher for Paragould in the Northeast Arkansas League, is ready to claim some kind of strikeout and endurance record. Tott struck out 30 men in a 16-inning game with Newport recently and allowed only six hits. The game was called at the end of the 16th, the score locked at 1-1.

Two basketball matches were decided at Chinese Y.M.C.A. last night, when National University trounced Wah Kit by 51-28 and S.C.A.A. beat V.R.C. 52-23. Chan Sui-kau and Yip Fok-luk were outstanding for the National University, while Shek Chun-iat played well for South China. E. Tavares was prominent for V.R.C.

MEDICALS' FOOTBALL PRACTICE

By "Sportshawk"

Royal Army Medical Corps held their first soccer trial of the season yesterday when Colours beat Whites by 3 goals to 1.

Several newcomers were seen in action and among these were Thomson, Clift, Wright and Cheesbrough, all of whom gave fairly good accounts of themselves, while Jones, Fookinall and Don, who were injured early last season, also made a welcome reappearance.

Last year's players, who were notable absentees yesterday were Smith inside-right, Parkin, left-wing, Webb, full-back, and Bennett, the goalkeeper, all of whom will be turning out in the League this season.

The bumpy state of the ground and the long grass was not conducive to good football but the display of the majority of the players showed that Medicals should be able to raise a good side this season.

In yesterday's game Beeston (2) and Reynolds scored for Colours and Cheesbrough for Whites.

"Colours": — Jones, Thomson and Entwistle; Fookinall, Loyne and Twitcheil; Reynolds, Clift, Ross, Nichols and Beeston.

"Whites": — Bickley, Hirst and Evans; Wright, Florence (Captain) and Collins; Cheesbrough, Don, Leath, Harris and Wilkinson.

JOCKEYS FOR ST. LEGER

Probable jockeys for the St. Leger, which will be run at Manchester on Saturday, September 6, are: —

Bekhtawar (Harry Wragg), Chateau la Rose (Jones), Dancing Time (Beary), Devonian (Perryman), Ficus (E. P. H. Smith or Carey), Fitzedlin (Sipphenson), Mazarin (Barham), Orthodox (D. Smith), Owen Tudor (Newell), Ptolemy (E. P. H. Smith or Carey), Ranger (S. Wragg), Royal Academy (Gardner), Royallist (Lowrey), Starwort (Taylor), Sun Castle (Bridgland). No jockeys for Fettes and Lambert Stimmel have been announced. — Reuter.

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Wally Ching Pitches China To Sensational Win Over United States

By "Grandstand"

INSPIRED BY A RECORD CROWD OF SUPPORTERS, WHO JAMMED EVERY NOOK AND CRANNY OF A CREAKING GRANDSTAND, GRANDPA LEUNG'S ALL-CHINESE BASEBALL NINE OVERPOWERED THE UNITED STATES CONTINGENT 11 TO 3 TO BECOME THE NEW INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONS, BEHIND THE MASTERFUL PITCHING OF WALLY "DIMPLES" CHING, WHO HAD THE OPPOSING BATTERS EATING OUT OF HIS HANDS WITH A VARIETY OF TEASERS DURING HIS SIX-INNING MOUND TENURE.

In the Hong Kong All-Stars v U. S. Navy series, the blue-jackets recovered from their shellacking of a week ago and managed to pull the series out of the fire with a 7 to 3 triumph after the count had been dead-locked 3-all for six eventful frames.

Hong Kong Baseballers v. South China the League finale, resulted in Mohawks over-running Caroliners 18 to 6 before a handful of spectators, whilst the Bees shaded the Aces 4 to 2 in an exhibition tilt staged by the pupils of Grandpa Leung's Baseball School.

All Lau, who started on the hill for the Chinese, was derrick-ed in favour of Wally China after he had conceded three safeties. For the rest of the game Ching fanned three and walked one, and was robbed of a no-hit no-run performance by allowing Lou Pawloski to nick him for a double. Tony Mascavage, working on the slab for the losers, yielded seven blows, struck-out one and walked three.

Short-lived Lead

Three Chinese batters paraded to the plate and back again in the first inning for a scoreless frame, whilst the Americans tallied three times on three blows to jump into a short-lived lead. In the second frame Morocco Chan singled and pilfered second, whilst Hank Chan was given a life on third-sacker Bowersox's fumble. Al Lau trotted down the line to load the sacks, after working moundsman Mascavage for a walk on four pitched balls.

Coming up into the batter's box with runners dancing on the base-trails, Pete Choy socked the apple on the nose for a two-run double. Dick Chung's "Japanese liner" to right chased two more mates over the plate for the Chinese to draw ahead, and before the disastrous inning was over Hank Ali dumped a neat bunt along first to score Chung.

In the next semester the Chinese started off by loading the sacks on a bingle, a miscue and a walk to produce another cluster of five counters, after they had batted right around. In the fourth and the fifth they were horse-collared, but in the sixth the Chinese stowed the game away with another marker on a walk and a sacrifice.

Belated Rally

After being blanked for five chapters, the Americans staged a belated uprising in the last stanza, but the threat was smothered as Earl Wilson popped out to first-sacker Hank Chan.

Only one double erasure was completed in the scuffle, when slabster Tony Mascavage froze on to Pete Choy's liner and tossed Al Lau out at second.

Lou Pawloski returned a two-in-three performance with the hickory, whilst both Nip Lum and Morocco Chan clouted safely twice in four batting attempts. Both Pete Choy and Dick Chung chased in three mates with timely hitting.

Pawloski Again

Featured by Lou Pawloski's return to form on the hillcock, the U.S. Navy nine chalked up their first win in the five-game series against Hong Kong All-Stars with a 7 to 3 verdict, climaxed by a brilliant twin-killing when gardener Earl Wilson snared Bob Foley's towering hit after a breathless chase that deserved car-fare and lunch money back to his post. Not only that, but the

high-stepper rifled a bullet peg right down to first-sacker McKenzie to nab Al Lau, a mile off the bag, for the outstanding fielding gem of the season.

Mound maestro Pawloski fanned six and walked none, whilst slabster Al Lau whiffed two and passed one to first.

All-Stars Score

Inaugurating the initial canto, Nip Lum slashed out a single on the first pitch, and sped all the way to third as hind-satcher Mascavage heaved one out into centre field. Tony "Peewee" Alves' sacrifice dump saw Lum cross the pan standing up for All-Stars to draw first blood. In their half of the session the sailors regained the lead with a couple of counters on a double and a triple assisted with a brace of miscues.

In the second semester Gerry Gosano dented the pay-off station to knot the count, but the blue-jackets forged ahead again when Greasy Moore romped home with the tie-breaker after catcher Bob Foley let a pitch get past him.

The untiring Nip Lum came through with another hit in the third chapter, pilfered second and drew a wild heave from Mascavage to spike the rubber for the tie-ing marker. Both sides were unable to produce a run for the next three frames.

Perfect Batting

In the sixth canto a barrage of four blows and two miscues enabled the sailors to produce a spurge of four runs to salt the game away.

Both Nip Lum and Henry "Crooner" Ruel had a perfect bat-

MRS. COOKE'S BID FOR U.S. TITLE

For close to a dozen years, Mrs. Sarah Palfrey Cooke has been battling America's best women players on the tennis courts, and yet to-day the little veteran is faced with her best opportunity of winning the American singles crown, a championship which has eluded her.

The retirement of Alice Marble from the amateur ranks leaves the women's field wide open. And Mrs. Cooke, with her experience and vastly improved game this season, stands an even chance of reaching her goal. Back in 1935 and '36, she was runner-up to Helen Jacobs, but that was as close as she ever got to the crown.

Mrs. Cooke's forte has been in doubles play. On eight occasions she shared the American crown, the last four years with Alice Marble as her partner. She has been fairly successful in the mixed doubles, too, having won the title three times—with Fred Perry, Enrique Muler and Don Budgo.

The one factor that has stood in her path to the American singles crown in the past has been her lack of stamina. Her game has always been along the style which men play—so unlike the soft game many of the girls play. Unfortunately, she stands only 5-foot-3, and weighs around 110 pounds.

Mrs. Cooke's game has always been well rounded. She has the strokes and knows how to use them. This spring, she returned to action with her forehand improved by a changed grip. In addition, she has come up with a very handy drop shot, something she lacked in the past.

Mrs. Cooke may fall in her quest, but one thing is certain—she is giving it a good whirl this year.

REFEREE'S ASSOCIATION MEETING

Hong Kong Football Referees' Association are holding their first monthly meeting of the season this evening at Hotel Cecil at 8 p.m. The speaker will be Lieut. L. G. Crossby, M.M.R.A. chairman of Army Referees' Association. Among the items on the agenda is the date for the annual soccer game between Referees and Press.

ting day, the former coming through with three-in-three, whilst the latter included a three-bagger in his two safeties. Other extra-base clouts include Gerry Gosano's mighty triple that cleared the right field fence, and two-baggers by Wilson and Moore.

In Sunday's night-cap, Chuck Waggoner's Mohawks shellacked three South China slabsters for a total of 16 blows to overwhelm the Caroliners 18 to 6.

"Doc" Molten, who started on the hill for the victors, fanned three and walked four for six frames, whilst Ernie Heather whiffed two and walked in the remaining chapter.

Nam Hwa regular chucker Paul Lau, who worked on the rubber for six frames, struck-out two and passed eight and was relieved by Ernie Moy with the sacks loaded in the sixth. Moy couldn't find the plate and received his walking papers after letting in four counters by handing out four free rides to the initial satchel. As a last resort, manager Hal Winglee put brother Cecil on the mound, who fanned George Daniels on four pitches to end the fiasco.

DID YOU KNOW?

The three-base-hit record for a single season stands at 36 and was established by J. Owen Wilson of Pittsburgh in 1912. That same year Joe Jackson hit 26 for Cleveland.

ALEC PEARCE SHOULD BE ABLE TO GET FINE ARMY SIDE TOGETHER

(By "Incog")

THE ANNOUNCEMENT THAT ARMY SPORTS BOARD HAS DECIDED TO ENTER TWO TEAMS IN THE CRICKET LEAGUE THIS SEASON HAS GIVEN SATISFACTION ALL ROUND, AND IS SURE TO ADD TO THE INTEREST OF THE COMPETITIONS AS ARMY ARE CAPABLE OF FIELDING TWO VERY STRONG SIDES ANY SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

Lieut. T. A. Pearce, Colony and Hong Kong Cricket Club all-rounder, will be in charge of the First Division team, and it is felt that with one of his calibre at the helm the season's prospects for Army are indeed bright.

Though no names are available just yet, it is understood that in addition to most of last season's stalwarts, Pearce will also have the services of a couple of new arrivals who have played in good class cricket at Home and who are expected to be able to turn out regularly.

In addition to Alec Pearce, two Hong Kong Cricket Club players in J. L. C. Pearce and R. M. M. King are also available.

Major Swyer, who has captained R.A.M.C. with so much success for a number of years, will be leading the Second Division team, and will have some promising talent from which to make his selection.

By Drawback

The one great drawback for the Army is the lack of facilities for nets practice—at least insofar as "other ranks" are concerned—and in this connection it would perhaps be worth the while of the Sports Board to consider returning part of the ground at Sookun-poo for this purpose.

Owing to the fact that the different units are scattered all over the Colony, organised practice is almost an impossibility for the Army, and knock-ups on cement pitches, in barrack compounds, have served for practices in the past—and will probably continue to do so for many years to come.

In spite of all this, however, Army have always been able to provide the Colony with a number of really good all-round cricketers, and it would appear that 1941-42 will be no exception.

Now that the Army have openly stated they are ready for the season, it is to be hoped that the Cricket League will rise from its prolonged Summer slumber and set the wheels in motion for another enjoyable season.

Civil Service Cricket Club have all their cricket stalwarts to call on this coming season, while there is the possibility that R. G. K. Thompson, who has played good class cricket at Home, will be persuaded to turn out for them as well.

Dr. O. I. E. de Souza, who was one of University's leading hockey players in his undergraduate days, returned to the Colony yesterday from London after an absence of over five years.

C.B.A. WIN OVER ARMY AT TENNIS

At King's Park yesterday, Central British Association beat Army Tennis Club by 6½ sets to 2½ in Fourth Division of the Tennis League, scores being:—

B. I. Bickford and T. Gaubert (C.B.A.)

beat Ford and Quismil 6-4

lost to Mitchell and Alsey 6-6

beat Spencer and A. N. Other 6-2

S. A. Fowler and N. Whitley (C.B.A.)

beat Ford and Quismil 6-3

lost to Mitchell and Alsey 1-6

beat Spencer and A. N. Other 6-4

G. Gurevitch and B. Tomashevsky (C.B.A.)

beat Ford and Quismil 6-1

lost to Mitchell and Alsey 2-6

beat Spencer and A. N. Other 6-2

Central British Association are now left with one more game—

against Post Office Club (2)—and this has been provisionally fixed for next Monday.

Table To Date

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts.
S.C.A.A.	10	10	0	0	74	16	20
C.C.C.	10	9	1	0	72½	17½	18
C.R.C.	10	8	2	0	63½	26½	16
F.C.	10	7	3	0	58	29	14
A.T.C.	10	4	5	1	47½	42½	9
I.R.C.	9	4	4	1	33½	47½	9
P.O.R.C. (1)	10	4	6	0	40	50	8
C.B.A.	9	3	6	0	31	50	6
P.O.R.C. (2)	9	2	7	0	19½	61½	4
J.R.C.	10	1	9	0	29½	60½	2
K.I.T.C.	9	0	9	0	7½	73½	0

W. H. Choy, well-known Chinese player, is seeded fourth among the foreign entries in the United States national tennis championship now in progress at Forest Hills.

Luis Castillo, Mexican flyweight champion, knocked out Filipino battler Little Pancho in the second round of their scheduled 10-round battle at Mexico City on August 24.



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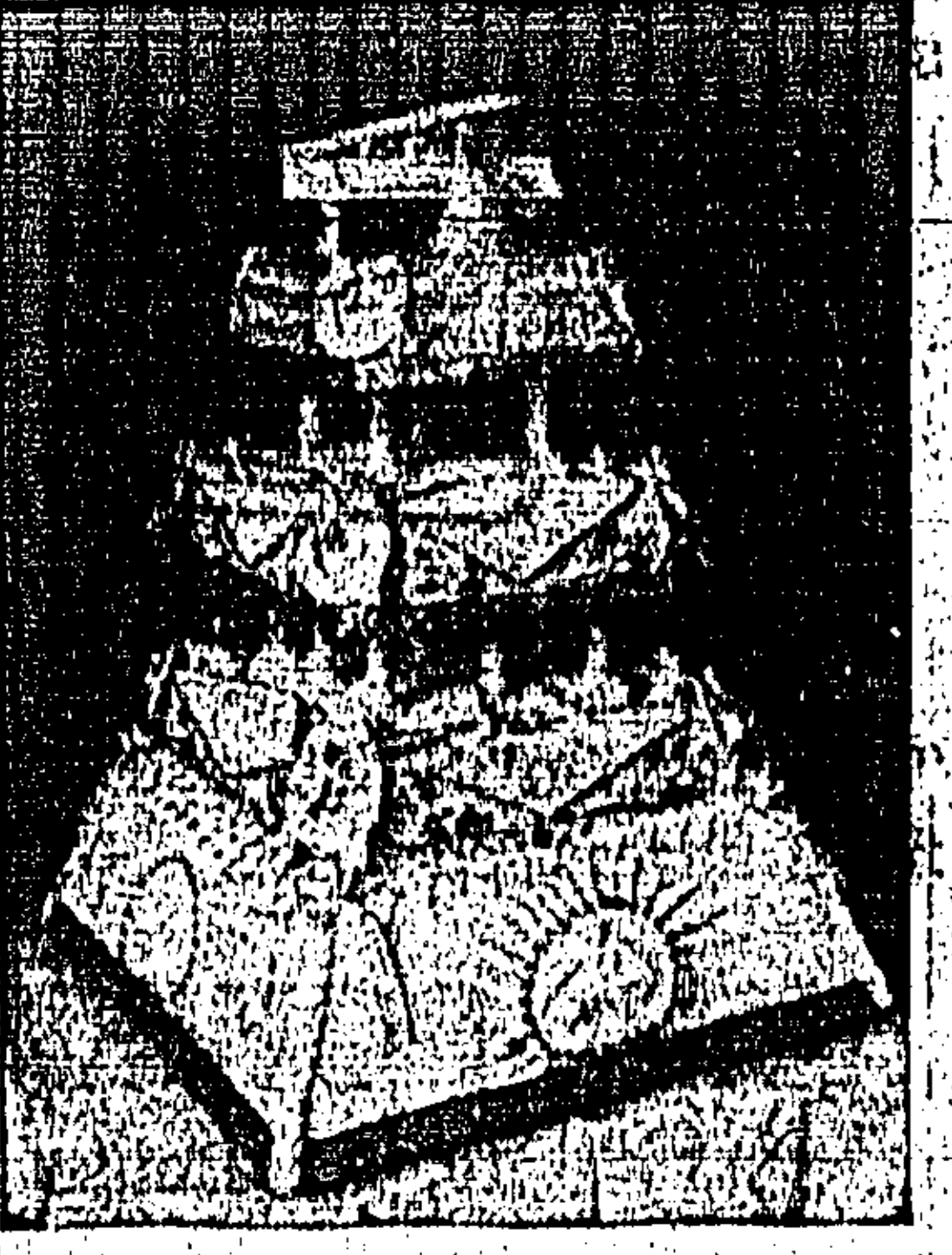
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A.R.P. INQUIRY: GIRL REPORTER'S EVIDENCE

(Continued from Page 1)
A.—I was introduced to the Bank by Wing Commander Steele-Perkins.
Q.—Do you know him?
A.—Yes.
Q.—For how long have you known him?
A.—Three years ago when I was employed in the Man Chung News Agency I was sent by Mr. Leung to go and try to be a reporter. I went to hear speeches. I went on one occasion to his office.
Q.—Who sent you there?
A.—Austin Leung.
Q.—Who is he?
A.—He is also a reporter.
Q.—In this News Agency? You went there, what happened?
A.—The first time I saw Wing Commander Steele-Perkins was when I went to his office to hear a speech.
Q.—When was that, three years ago?
A.—Yes.
Q.—Have you seen him since then?

A.—Because when I decided to put the money in the bank I did not want to put the money in a Chinese bank so I decided to put it in a foreign bank. At first I intended to put it in an American Bank. I thought only a European could introduce me to such a bank and not a Chinese.
Q.—So you went to him?
A.—Yes.
Q.—Have you seen him since he introduced you to this bank?
A.—Yes.
Q.—When and where?
A.—I saw him occasionally and particularly on one occasion during last year when I was selling dance tickets. I happened to meet him.
Q.—When last did you see Wing Commander Steele-Perkins?
A.—I always see him.
Q.—When did you last see him?
A.—The day before yesterday.
Q.—Where?

On The Peak

A.—I met him in the street. He comes to my place, we are friends, we always met each other.
Q.—Have you become good friends since three years ago?
A.—We became very good friends within these few months.
Q.—Do you know where he lives?
A.—I have been to his house for a party. I don't know the name of the road, it is on a hill.
Q.—On the Peak?
A.—Yes.
Q.—When last did you go to his house?
A.—On his birthday.
Q.—When was that?

Dance Tickets

A.—Then I did not see him for a long time. Then I saw him again when I was selling dance tickets in aid of charity and I sold him a ticket. I sold him such tickets on several occasions.
Q.—You used to see him occasionally?
A.—Yes.
Q.—Then how did you come to go to him to be recommended to the Bank, why did you not get your employer to do that?

THE QUISLING PATIENTS

Both M. Laval and M. Deat passed a good night states a bulletin issued yesterday morning in Vichy. The bulletin adds "M. Laval's condition is satisfactory, M. Deat's condition gives more and more ground for satisfaction." —
Reuter.

A.—Over a week ago — 8th August.
Q.—Have you seen him since then?
A.—Yes, occasionally.
Q.—Where do you generally see him when he does not come to your house?
A.—He used to see me at parties when he did not see me in my house.
Q.—Mention a few of these parties, where did they take place?
A.—At Aunt Violet who is Mrs. Violet Chan.
Q.—Who is she?
A.—She lives at 6 Po Shan Road.

At Office

Q.—That is where you used to meet Wing Commander Steele-Perkins?
A.—Sometimes I met him there but not always.
Q.—Where else did you meet him?
A.—Sometimes I would meet him at dancing parties for charity and other times I saw him in his office.
Q.—You used to go to his office?
A.—Yes.
Q.—What for?
A.—Sometimes to sell tickets and sometimes to ask him for news.
Q.—Do you know Mr. Carmen?
A.—I met him only twice.
Q.—Where?
A.—I met him through Wing Commander Steele-Perkins. He introduced me to him last year at a party.
Q.—Do you know 95, Caine Road?
A.—Yes, I went there once to a party a few days ago.
Q.—Who asked you to go?
A.—Wing Commander Steele-Perkins said Mr. Carmen wanted to invite me and Aunt Vi to a party.
Q.—Did you go?
A.—Yes.
Q.—Who was there?
A.—Wing Commander Steele-Perkins, Aunt Vi, Pauline, two gentlemen, a foreign lady, one of the American Consuls.

A Few Others

Q.—Any other Englishmen?
A.—There were a few others.
Q.—Do you know George Pentreath?
A.—Yes.
Q.—Was he at Mr. Carmen's party?
A.—No, but Mr. McKichan was at the party.
Q.—Mr. Pentreath was not there but you say Mr. McKichan was there?
A.—Yes.
Q.—Do you know him?
A.—Yes.
Q.—How long did you know him?
A.—Last year, the first time I started to go out with Wing Commander Steele-Perkins.
Q.—Do you know a Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd?
A.—No.
Q.—You know Mr. Pentreath?
A.—Yes.

Caine Road Party

Q.—You are quite sure he was not at 95, Caine Road, that night Mr. Carmen gave a party?
A.—I am quite sure he was not there that night.
Q.—What about this party at 6 Po Shan Road?
A.—We always have a party there.
Q.—Do you remember the last

Europe Will Shake Off Shackles

"AFTER MORE THAN a year of oppression, the Netherlands are and feel stronger, and are more unconquerable than ever before," declared Her Majesty Queen Wilhelmina over Radio Orange last night, broadcasting to Dutch people throughout the world in commemoration of her 61st birthday which was celebrated on Sunday.

She declared that the Netherlands would play its part in the new world order as envisaged by Mr. Winston Churchill and President Roosevelt.

The arch-enemy of humanity, Hitler, wanted to destroy the Netherlands. He had overpowered them, robbed them of liberty and his hordes had looted, leaving the Dutch to starve. He sought to crush their soul but had failed. She praised the "indomitable courage, daring and tough unbreakable resistance" of the Dutch and paid tribute to the laurels won by the Dutch armed forces and merchant seamen, adding that the entire realm would fight until victory was achieved.

party you had there, I think it was two days after Mr. Carmen's party?
A.—Yes.
Q.—Was Mr. Pentreath there?
A.—Yes, Mr. Pentreath, Mr. McKichan — oh — over 50 people — it was a big party.
Q.—You said just now you met Mr. McKichan when you started to go out with Wing Commander Steele-Perkins — what do you mean by that?
A.—The first time I sold tickets to Wing Commander Steele-Perkins he said he was alone so I said, all right, you buy a ticket and if you have no partner you can join my party. Then he introduced me to Mr. McKichan and I had my friend with me and we had a party. Then I had another party and I sold tickets to him.
Q.—Have you any other banking account other than this one?
A.—No.
Q.—Have you a safe deposit in any bank?
A.—Yes.
Q.—Where?
A.—The Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank.
Q.—How long have you had that?
A.—Only a few months ago.
Q.—Three months ago?
A.—Several months ago — four or five months ago.
Q.—About last June?
A.—Earlier than June.
Q.—Was it before you opened your account with the Mercantile Bank of India or after?
A.—I started an account with the Mercantile Bank of India.

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No Introduction

Q.—Who introduced you to the Hong Kong Bank?
A.—Nobody.
Q.—Why did you not put your money in the Hong Kong Bank if you had a deposit box there?
A.—It is no use to put my money in that bank because what I wanted to do was to go to an American Bank as I intended to go to Manila.
Q.—What is your key number in the safe deposit?
A.—No. 3147.
Q.—Any other number?
A.—No.
Q.—What have you got in the safe deposit?
A.—I have a watch, a chop, an old watch. Until a few days ago I had some jewellery.
Q.—Where is that jewellery now?
A.—At home.
Q.—Why have you not put it back in the safe deposit?
A.—I took the jewellery out last Saturday.
Q.—Do you intend to put it back in the safe deposit?
A.—Yes.
Q.—Let us have a description of your jewellery?
A.—Three finger rings, one jade, one marriage ring and one with a stone in it.
Q.—Who is Aunt Violet's husband — what is his name?
A.—Chan Wing On — he is dead.
Q.—Had he any elder brothers?
A.—I don't know.
Q.—How do your servants address you in the house?
A.—Ng Siu Tse.
Adjourned.

Lust For Murder
The Queen paid homage to all those people who had met with the same fate as the Netherlands and were resisting Nazi tyranny. "While our mutual assailant is now venting his lust for murder and robbery against the courageous Russian people, resistance manifests itself as his back is turned and the united peoples are preparing at present to toll the death-knell for him and his detestable order."
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— REUTER.

In her broadcast birthday message to her compatriots throughout the world, Queen Wilhelmina made known her warm appreciation of the national present of a destroyer to take the place of the Jan Van Galen which met a glorious end in the engagement with large forces of enemy bombers near Rotterdam last May.—British Wireless.

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GERMAN LOSSES ON EASTERN FRONT

It was announced by the Soviet High Command that the German casualties totalled 2,500,000 (including 1,000,000 dead) in the first ten weeks of the Russo-German War.—International News Service.

SOVIET FORCES HIT BACK

German quarters acknowledge that large-scale Russian counter-attacks are in progress on the northern, central and southern sectors.

They claim that all these attacks have been repulsed, but they admit that the pressure is being maintained, and that as many as fifteen Russian divisions are involved in the operations in the centre.

One reference to a Russian drive towards Bobruisk indicates a substantial German retreat.

One semi-official source in Berlin claimed that the Nazi advance on Leningrad had reached within 30 miles, but as the same source stated last week that the spearhead was within 12 miles, the rate of progress is not impressive.

German reports are chiefly concerned with the "glorious achievements" of the Luftwaffe, which has been bombing Sebastopol and pounding the rear of Marshal Budenny's counter-attacking troops.

The Germans have also, they say, "tightened the vicelike grip on Odessa."

The Russian communique merely reiterates that heavy fighting is proceeding on the whole length of the front.—International News Service.

EVIDENCE BY Miss Mimi Lau concerning her acquaintance with the D.A.R.P. given at yesterday's hearing of the inquiry into matters concerning the Air Raid Precautions Department, was read this morning at the first public examination of witnesses in the Council Chamber, when Mr. G. G. N. Tinson, who entered an appearance on behalf of Wing-Comdr. A. H. S. Steele-Perkins, submitted that as he was not present at the previous examination, it would be only in fairness to his client if the evidence of Miss Lau was not read in public until he had had time to study same.

The Chairman of the Commission, Mr. Justice P. E. F. Cressall, however, ruled otherwise, saying that if Mr. Tinson wanted to reserve his cross-examination after having heard Miss Lau's evidence, he was at liberty to apply for an adjournment.

The Chairman then intimated to Miss Lau that she would not be required further at this session and the next witness, Mr. William Lloyd Carmen, acting managing director of Marsman China Ltd., was called.

Miss Mimi Lau's evidence was read as follows:—
Miss Mimi Lau: (Affirmed) (Interpreted).

Q.—Chairman: What is your name?

A.—Mimi Lau

Q.—Where are you employed?

A.—With the Chlap Hua Manufacturing Company.

Q.—How long have you been employed there?

A.—Since January, 1941.

Q.—Do you know Mr. Lam, the managing director?

A.—I know the managing partner whose surname is Cheng but as to the gentleman named Lam, I do not know him, although I have seen him once or twice. His other name is Lam Pak Chung.

Q.—Tell me, how did you get this job, did you answer an advertisement? How did you come to be employed with this firm?

A.—This gentleman Mr. Cheng had been a friend of mine when I was in Canton and before I was married, before the fall of Canton, we had been very good friends there. Later I came to Hong Kong.

Arrival in Colony

Q.—When did you come to Hong Kong?

A.—Since the beginning of the Sino-Japanese war in 1937/1938.

Q.—What happened then?

A.—I came to Hong Kong. I turned up the telephone directory and found the name of the firm in the directory and tried to locate Mr. Cheng. I succeeded, then I arranged to have tea with him in the St. Francis Hotel lounge.

Q.—When was that?

A.—End of last year.

Q.—But you came here in 1937 or 1938?

A.—Yes, I had married General Fan Tak Sen and after I married I did not see Mr. Cheng for a long time.

Q.—But you came here in 1937/1938?

A.—Yes.

Q.—And it was not until the end of last year that you got in touch with the Chlap Hua Manufacturing Co.?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Why did you wait so long?

A.—I was going to and fro to Canton during that time.

Q.—I take it you were not working during 1937 and 1938 to 1940?

A.—During these years I had been employed in two news agencies. The first was the Man Chung and the second the Kwok Man.

Q.—What salary did you get?

A.—I was only employed as a student or apprentice without any pay. Sometimes some pocket money would be given to me.

Q.—When did you first receive a salary for any work you did?

First Salary

A.—The first time I actually received a salary was when I went to the Chlap Hua Manufacturing Company.

Q.—At the end of last year?

A.—No, at the beginning of this year.

Q.—How much did you get?

A.—\$200 a month.

Q.—What was your work?

A.—I look after the Chinese correspondence.

Q.—Are you a typist?

A.—No, I don't know English.

Q.—You don't write shorthand?

A.—No.

Q.—What kind of work do you do?

A.—Filing letters and looking after Chinese correspondence.

Q.—Answering letters?

A.—I did not answer letters but I would copy the letters given to me. When I saw Mr. Cheng here the first time I told him I was

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WAR IN PACIFIC PREDICTED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Addressing a Nisei meeting at California yesterday, Governor Olsen predicted that the custom of "face saving" will force Japan into war with the United States, Russia and Britain.—International News Service.

LIMIT OF PACIFIC TALKS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The Government will not agree to any unilateral settlement with Japan, State Department sources in Washington declared.

Any settlement would involve the broad issues of the Pacific problem, revolving around Japan's occupation of China and French Indo-China.

The basic American policy toward such an adjustment would require consultation with Britain, the Dutch East Indies and other signatories of the Nine-Power Pact which Japan flouted with her China invasion.

The United States feels she has full liberty of action in taking all steps deemed advisable in the discussion of adjustments of purely Japanese-American problems.

The belief is expressed that the present informal American-Japanese talks might develop into a general settlement, but that does not seem probable under existing conditions.—International News Service.

ONE-PARTY RULE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Marshal Petain has proclaimed a One-Party French rule similar to the German-Italo systems.

"France has only one policy, that for which I take the responsibility before history."

Marshal Petain was addressing the first anniversary of the "legion of combatants and of volunteers for national revolution" whose apparent mission now is to marshal the people for Petain and Darlan.—International News Service.



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THE PLEDGE TO SMASH HITLER

President Roosevelt's Labour Day Speech Call For Further Intensive Drive For Production

"ON THIS DAY - THIS AMERICAN HOLIDAY - WE CELEBRATE THE RIGHT OF THE FREE LABOURING OF MEN. THE RESERVATION OF THESE RIGHTS IS NOW VITALLY IMPORTANT NOT ONLY TO US WHO ENJOY THEM BUT TO THE WHOLE FUTURE OF CHRISTIAN CIVILISATION," DECLARED PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT IN HIS BROADCAST SPEECH IN NEW YORK YESTERDAY ON THE OCCASION OF LABOUR DAY.

The President continued: "American labour now bears a tremendous responsibility in winning this most brutal and most terrible of all wars.

"In our factories, shops and arsenals we are building weapons on a great scale, great in its magnitude. To all the battle-fronts of the world are these weapons being despatched by day and night over seas and through the air, and this nation is now devising and developing new weapons of unprecedented power toward the maintenance of Democracy.

"Why are we doing this? Why are we determined to devote our entire industrial effort to the prosecution of a war which actually has not yet touched our own shores?

"We are not a warlike people; we never sought glory as a nation of warriors. We are not interested in aggression. We are not interested — as the Dictators are — in looting. We do not covet one square inch of the territory of any other nation.

"Our vast effort and the unity of purpose which inspires that effort are due solely to our recognition of the fact that our fundamental rights — including the rights of Labour — are threatened by Hitler's violent attempt to rule the world.

The Bond

There never has been a moment in history when the Americans were not ready to stand up as free men and fight for their rights. In times of national emergency one fact is brought home clearly to us decisively — that all our rights are interdependent.

The rights of freedom of worship would mean nothing without freedom of speech and the rights of free labour, as we know them to-day, could not survive without rights of free enterprise. That is an in-destructible bond between all Americans. Interdependence of interests, privileges and opportunities — interdependence of rights — that is what unites us — men and women of all sections. That is why we have been able to defy and frustrate enemies who believed they could divide us and control us from within.

Naval Strategy

These enemies all know we possess a strong navy, gaining in strength. They know that that navy — as long as the navies of the British Empire, the Netherlands, Norway and Russia exist — can together guarantee freedom of the seas.

These enemies know that if those other navies were destroyed the American navy cannot now, or in the future maintain freedom of the seas against all the rest of the world.

These enemies know our army is increasing daily in all round strength, and these enemies know that to-day the chief American fighters in the battles now raging are those engaged in American industry — employers and employees alike. These enemies know that the course of American production in the past year has shown enormous gains and the product of these industries is moving to the battle-fronts

against Hitlerism in increasing volume each day. But these enemies also know that our American effort is not yet enough — and that unless we step up the total of our production and more greatly safeguard it on its journey to the battlefields, these enemies will take heart in pushing their attack in old fields and new.

Solemn Warning

I give a solemn warning to those who think that Hitler has been blocked and halted that they are making a very dangerous assumption.

When in an area your enemy seems to be making slower progress than he did the year before, that is the very moment to strike with redoubled force — to throw more energy into the job of defeating him — to end forever and all time a menace of world conquest, and thereby end all talk or thought of any peace founded on compromise with evil itself.

We knew that a free labour system is the very foundation of a functioning democracy. We know that one of the first acts of the Axis dictatorships has been to wipe out all principles and standards which labour has been able to establish for its own preservation and advancement.

Forbidden Philosophy

Trade Unionism is a forbidden philosophy under these rule-or-ruin dictators. For trade unionism demands freedom of expression and peaceful assembly. Trade unionism has helped to give everyone who toils a position of dignity which is his due.

The present position of labour in the United States as an interdependent unit in the life of the nation has not come about by chance. It has been a revolutionary process of healthy democracy at work.

Hitler has not worked that way. He will not, cannot work that way. Just as he denies all rights to individuals, he must deny all rights to groups — of labour or business or learning or the church.

He has abolished trade unions as ruthlessly as he has persecuted religion. No group of Americans has realised more clearly what Nazi domination means than has organised labour — what it means to their standards of living, their freedom, their lives. No group has a greater stake in the defeat of Nazism. In the preservation of fundamental freedoms, in continuance of democracy throughout the world.

Infinitely More

We have already achieved much; it is imperative that we achieve infinitely more. The single-mindedness and sacrifice

with which we jointly dedicate ourselves to the production of weapons of freedom will determine in no small part the length of the ordeal through which humanity must pass. We cannot hesitate, we cannot equivocate in the great task before us.

The defence of America's freedom must take precedence over every private aim and over every private interest.

We are engaged on a grim and perilous task. The forces of insane violence have been let loose by Hitler upon this earth. We must do our full part in conquering them, for these forces may be unleashed on this nation as we go about our business of protecting the proper interests of our country.

The task of defeating Hitler may be long and arduous, said the President.

There are a few appeasers and Nazi sympathisers who say that it cannot be done.

THEY ASK ME TO NEGOTIATE WITH HITLER — TO PRAY FOR CRUMBS FROM HIS VICTORIOUS TABLE.

They do in fact ask me to become a modern Benedict Arnold and betray all I hold dear, my devotion to our freedom, our churches, to our country. This course I have rejected. I reject it again.

Great Privilege

Instead, I know I speak for the conscience and the determination of the American people when I say we shall do everything in our power to crush Hitler and his Nazi forces.

American workers, American farmers, American business men and American churchmen — all of us together — have the great responsibility and the great privilege of labouring to build a democratic world on enduring foundations.

May it be said on some future Labour Day by some future President of the United States that we did our work faithfully and well. — Reuter.

SAIGON REPORT INCORRECT

The report that a German Consulate was opened in Saigon on August 25 is incorrect.

Although all Saigon newspapers formally announced the opening of the Consulate, it is now understood that the office opened by the German Consular official, Herr Neuman, who arrived in Saigon recently, actually is his own office as representative in Indo-China of the Wiesbaden Armistice Commission. — Reuter.

CASE ADJOURNED

At the request of Det. Sgt. W. C. Goodwin, Lai Wo, 30, and Li Sung, 18, were remanded for 48 hours by Mr. H. C. Macnamara at Kowloon this morning on charge of having robbed the occupants of No. 17, Woosung Street, third floor, of \$500 and a quantity of jewellery on Sunday evening.

BERLIN BOMBED BY SOVIET PLANES

A special radio announcement from Moscow last night reported Soviet air raids on Berlin, Königsberg, Danzig, and Memel during Sunday. Incendiary and high explosive bombs were dropped on military targets, and all four places. One Soviet machine did not return. — Reuter.

Alexandria Bombed

Hostile aircraft dropped bombs on Sunday night on Alexandria and the Suez Canal area states a Ministry of the Interior communique issued in Cairo yesterday.

Two persons were killed and 43 injured at Alexandria and slight damage was done in both regions. No casualties are reported from the Canal area. — Reuter.

THE DANGERS AHEAD

The realistic tone of President Roosevelt's speech and the insistent warning against any under-estimate of dangers ahead found cordial endorsement in London, writes Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent.

The President has been quick to re-echo and underline the warnings against complacency which have been uttered by Mr. Winston Churchill, and Mr. Anthony Eden in recent days.

The American determination to accelerate to the utmost the production of war materials was especially welcomed in London.

Moreover, it was noted with pleasure and satisfaction that the expression of this determination showed the President's clear grasp of the urgent pressing needs on the supply front.

The speech exactly parallels the determination of the British Government and British Labour to accelerate similar production at home. — Reuter.

Seven conductors employed by the Kowloon Motor Bus Company were each fined \$5 by Mr. H. C. Macnamara at Kowloon this morning for allowing excessive numbers of passengers on buses.

NO APPEASEMENT OF JAPAN IN PROSPECT

WHILE PRESIDENT Roosevelt enunciated no new American policies or further steps in his present policies in yesterday's broadcast, interventionists in Washington welcome his emphatic assertion that there will be no negotiated peace as far as he is concerned.

They likewise heard with satisfaction his declaration that he will not beg for crumbs from Hitler's victorious table, as well as his appeal for redoubled efforts now that the Nazi war machine is being slowed down by Russia's valiant fight.

Similar welcome is given, his assertion that Germany must be defeated, if Americans are to continue to enjoy the rights they now enjoy, although there is regret in some American quarters that he did not speak in plainer terms in regard to what that is likely to involve.

The speech is regarded as calculated to prepare Americans for giving up many things they now have, in order that the production of war materials may increase.

THE PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT THAT AMERICAN WEAPONS OF WAR ARE BEING SENT DAILY TO ALL FIGHTING FRONTS IS WELCOMED AS AN INDICATION THAT THERE IS NO CHANGE IN AMERICA'S POLICY OF SENDING SUPPLIES TO CHINA AND RUSSIA, AND THAT WASHINGTON IS NOT "APPEASING" JAPAN. — REUTER.

QUIET CONVICTION

ALTHOUGH INDIFFERENT RECEPTION DUE TO BAD ATMOSPHERIC CONDITIONS MARRED THE EUROPEAN TRANSMISSION OF PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S LABOUR DAY SPEECH MOST OF THE PRESIDENT'S WORDS WERE AUDIBLE TO SHORT WAVE LISTENERS IN LONDON.

President Roosevelt spoke with calm deliberation and listeners were struck by the quiet conviction which appeared through his measured tones as he spoke of the Nazi threat to labour standards all over the world.

The 15-minute speech was followed by the playing of the American national anthem by a military band. — Reuter.

Germans Thrust Upon The Defensive In Crucial Areas

Threat To Rear Round Leningrad

CHECKED IN THE THRUST TOWARDS LENINGRAD AND ON THE LOWER DNIEPER, THE GERMANS HAVE BEEN THROWN ON THE DEFENSIVE AT ALL OTHER IMPORTANT POINTS ALONG THE 1,800 MILE RUSSIAN FRONT.

This much is clear from the last reports from the front, though a great deal more remains to be told and though it is impossible to foresee the next development.

The Red Army's heaviest counter-attack is south of Lake Ilmen, threatening the flanks and rear of the German troops farther north, in the Leningrad attack, while General Koniev is hammering at the Gomel position. German reports mention fighting near Bobruisk, south-west of Smolensk, indicating a withdrawal for some distance in this sector.

Heavy Counter-Attacks

"Annalist," in a commentary on the position, points out that while the Soviet High Command, which mentions that fighting continues unabated along the entire front, is, further than this, singularly uncommunicative for the moment, the Germans refer to the numerous and widespread counter-attacks by the Russians, not only in the central sector (Gomel and Bobruisk) but also now on the lower course of the Dnieper in the south and in the north below Lake Ilmen.

The Soviet forces are reported to be bringing up heavy tanks of over fifty tons in the land battles and are evidently using gunboats to advantage along the Dnieper harassing the Germans attempting to establish bridge-heads.

Healthy Sign

The situation needs further clarification before it can be properly appraised, but it is clear that Marshals Timoshenko and Budenny are exerting healthy counter-action to the repeated German attempts to find weak spots in the central section and where the narrowing of the Dnieper near Kiev affords the Germans easy access to the east towards the Don and the Donetz Basin.

There is no official confirmation that the Russians have evacuated Viborg in Finland. There would be good military reasons for them doing so, for it would make it easier for them to defend Leningrad by shortening their line of communications.

Reports that the withdrawal has been ordered for political rather than military reasons should be treated with reserve because of their conflicting nature.

Rain

The Germans are now admitting that ceaseless rains are hampering operations in the main Leningrad battlezone south of Lake Ilmen and it seems evident that the weather is becoming an increasingly important defensive factor.

Fresh Onslaughts

Fresh counter-attacks by Marshal Budenny's forces south of Kiev and on the lower course of the Dnieper are reported by the official German news agency.

The Soviet forces, says the agency, supported by artillery and gunboats, yesterday repeated the attempt to gain the western bank of the Dnieper south of Kiev.

This attack was frustrated with heavy losses to the Russians.

Strong Russian forces attacked the German positions on the lower course of the Dnieper. These attacks—says the German agency—were also repulsed with heavy losses.

In this defensive battle, a thousand prisoners were taken.

The agency also states that violent fighting took place yesterday in the centre of the front and claims that 25 Soviet tanks, including eight of the 52-ton type, were destroyed in this section. It does not repeat the assertion that the attacks were repulsed. Reuter.

AIR POWER IN MIDDLE EAST

The steadily growing strength of the R.A.F. in the Middle East, now further augmented by the arrival in the Western Desert theatre of war of the South African Air Force, was brought forcibly home to the enemy during August when some of the heaviest bombing raids yet carried out in the Middle East were made.

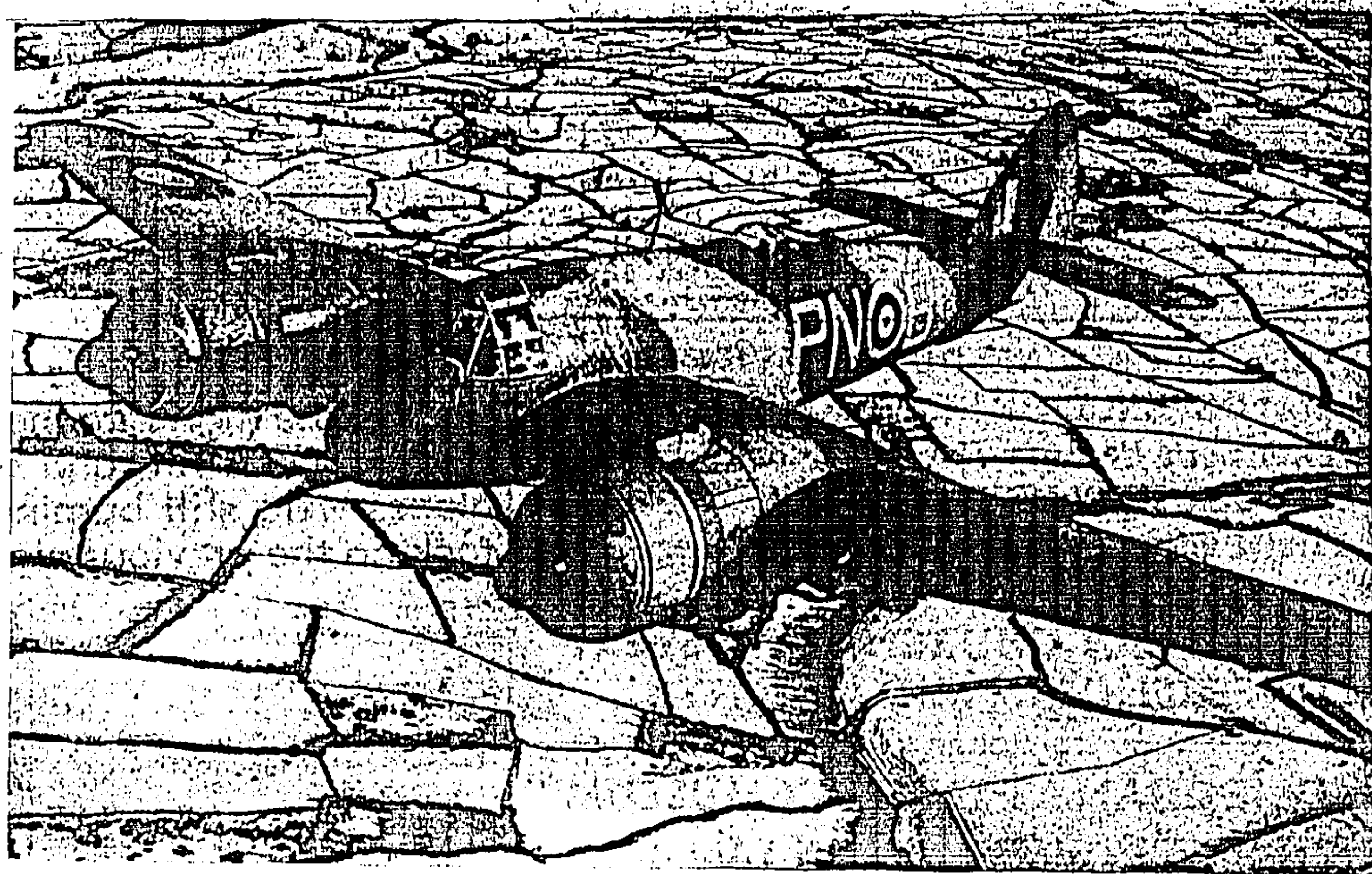
Principal targets were Tripoli, Benghazi, Derna, Bardia, as well as many landing grounds and military objectives in enemy territory.

Our aircraft also ranged further afield and concentrated attacks were delivered against the Corinth Canal and aerodromes in Crete and in Greece itself. Tripoli and Benghazi had severe hammerings nearly every night. Bardia and Derna had their usual quota, while other objectives at Misurata, Gambut, Gazala, Martuba, Imimi, Capuzzo, Binina and Berca were also raided.

These widespread operations in the Western Desert have not been confined to the night-time.

Daylight sweeps by Blenheims and Marylands are becoming more and more frequent while Hurricanes and Tomahawks have taken heavy toll of enemy motor transport personnel and land convoys in ground-strafting attacks.

Two of the outstanding bombing raids of the month were made against the Corinth Canal with a view to preventing the use by shipping of this important waterway. Considerable landslides were caused on the banks of the canal sufficient to prevent the passage of enemy ships for the long period. British Wireless.



"BEAUFIGHTER"—The twin-engined Bristol "Beaufighter," a high-speed heavily armed fighter monoplane, suitable for use as a day or night interceptor. Some of these aircraft are fitted with four cannon and six machine-guns.

SOVIET VERSION OF FINNISH FRONT BATTLE

A STORM TROOPER division and one Finnish brigade were thrown against one Soviet regiment in the "N" sector of the Eastern Front, says Moscow's supplementary communique issued yesterday.

"Our Red Army defended themselves courageously, attacking the enemy on all sides. Soon another unit joined our regiment, strengthening the resistance of the Soviet troops.

Despairing of breaking our defence by counter-attacks, the Germans decided to try to encircle our unit. Through forests and marshes the Finnish regiment succeeded in penetrating to our rear where it counted upon creating a panic in our ranks but the Finns made a mistake, "the communique says.

"The Red Army repulsed all attacks and more Soviet reinforcements arrived and the Finns found themselves encircled by our troops.

"The Finn regiment was routed, and out of 2,000 Finns who penetrated to our rear," the communique says, "not more than 600 men managed to escape from the encirclement. Forty machine-guns, many trench mortars and rifles and other military equipment were captured or destroyed."

Guerilla Activity

A Russian report says that according to a statement of prisoners nearly all the company commanders and eight or nine men out of every 12 were killed. Guerilla detachments continue to harass German and Finnish troops who have seized certain parts of the Karelian Finnish Republic, according to a Soviet communique, locating the enemy's weak spots and inflicting severe losses upon him by destroying bridges and stores, and making night attacks upon small enemy detachments.

Enemy lines of communications, in many cases, have been destroyed and the roads mined, says Soviet reports. In one case the forest through which the enemy was moving was set afire on all sides causing great losses amongst the Finns and Germans.

Belgian Hospitals

According to another Soviet report, thousands of Belgian patients have been moved from hospitals in Brussels, Ghent, Antwerp and other towns.

BOTH JUST AND NECESSARY

Cardinal Hinsley, Catholic Archbishop of Westminster, in London yesterday addressed Catholic members of the forces serving in the war.

His Eminence said that there existed today a tyrant who made a God out of war and who had no scruples in dealing with mankind.

"War against such a man is both just and necessary."—Reuter.

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TRIPOLI GETS SECOND BLITZ IN TWO NIGHTS

HEAVY BOMBERS of the R.A.F. again raided Tripoli Harbour on Sunday night dropping large quantities of bombs upon the Spanish Quay and upon ships unloading in the port, according to an Air Ministry communiqué.

Large fires broke out and columns of smoke rose high into the air. One ship at the quayside was hit and set on fire and large blazes were still burning from the heavy attack on the previous night.

"Even older fires were still smouldering," adds the communiqué.
"Aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm bombed dumps near Bardia which caused a number of explosions suggesting that ammunition stores had been hit.
Other bombers of the R.A.F. raided aerodromes at Maritza and Calato on the island of Rhodes.
"At Maritza, direct hits on hangars and aircraft were observed, fires breaking out in various parts of the aerodrome.
"At Calato, explosions and fires followed the attack.

Torpedo Attack

"During the night of August 30, aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm made a torpedo attack on a merchant ship near Lampedusa Island. One torpedo struck the vessel which stopped with a heavy list. The second torpedo is also believed to have found its mark.

"From all these operations one of our aircraft is missing,"—Reuter.

FREEZING HITS SHANGHAI

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
SHANGHAI INDUSTRY IS ALREADY SERIOUSLY AFFECTED BY THE SHORTAGE OF IMPORTED RAW MATERIALS DUE TO THE FREEZING ORDERS, ACCORDING TO THE AUGUST REPORT OF THE INDUSTRIAL DIVISION OF THE S.M.C.

Alcohol plants are unable to obtain molasses, the peppermint plants are short of crude oil for the manufacture of menthol, and the thermos bottle and flashlight and bulb factories are also affected.

Textile factories are facing a raw cotton shortage, and the precarious power situation due to the coal shortage is causing additional difficulties.—International News Service.

POLAND'S NEW HOPE

Hitler's invasion of Poland which took place two years ago yesterday is the subject of comment throughout the press.

"The Times" says: "No other country suffered more appalling devastation in the brief period of gallant armed defence against an overwhelming force. No other country since has been subjected to more ruthless methods of oppression at the hand of Nazi-occupying armies and Nazi administration. Nowhere else has the baneful doctrine of herrenvolk been so persistently and so unscrupulously applied.

There has been little or no attempt to enlist the services of Poles in the administration of their own country—indeed Polish Quislings would have been hard to find.

The whole Polish people have been treated as an inferior race born to serve and to obey and scarcely entitled even to that bare minimum of human consideration necessary to make them into efficient instruments of Hitler's will.

"Recent events, though they have done nothing to alleviate Polish sufferings have brought a fresh ray of hope to the victims of Nazi barbarities. By his deliberate assault on Soviet Russia Hitler has given Poland a new and powerful ally whose vast resources and stubborn spirit of resistance will hasten the day of Allied victory and of Poland's deliverance.

"The statesmanlike agreement signed a month ago by General Sikorski and by the Soviet Ambassador in London brings to an end for good and all an unhappy chapter in Russian-Polish relations.

"The closing months of the second year of the war have brought a new message of encouragement and of hope for the future to the sorely tried and indomitable Polish people."—British Wireless.

HISTORIC LOCKET FOUND

When, just before laying down his head on the executioner's block, in 1794, Georges Jacques Danton said, "My bed soon will be annihilation, but I shall live in the Pantheon of history," little did he dream that nearly a century and a half later a locket bearing a representation of his head would be dug up in a suburban garden in far-off Australia.

The locket was unearthed recently at Shakespeare Street, Coppin, by Mr. W. L. Nicklin. He has presented it to the Museum, and the director (Mr. H. A. Longman) says it is a valuable addition to the institution's collection.

Danton was the leader of the movement which resulted in the destruction of the Bastille and

FINNISH M.P.S ARRESTED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
It is disclosed in Helsinki that six "extreme Leftist" members of the Finnish Parliament have been arrested on the opening of the autumn term, on "suspicion of high treason."—International News Service.

Iran Peace Hopes

At an ordinary session of the Medjless (Parliament) in Teheran yesterday, the Prime Minister, Furughi informed the Deputies that conversations were proceeding satisfactorily and that the situation was becoming clearer.

He hoped that the matter would be settled in a day or two. Referring to various rumours circulating in Teheran, the Prime Minister said he regretted that the people were in such a nervous state that some were even quitting the capital and he assured the House that there was absolutely no danger to the population, government or anybody else.

Such rumours were circulated by mischief makers, he said. The Prime Minister urged the people not to hoard bread and other foodstuffs, assuring the House that there was ample for all and he asked Members to circulate his words so that Government could work until the problem is settled. — Reuter.

the setting up of the tribunal which afterwards included him amongst its victims. He, however, had said, "I prefer being guillotined to guillotining."

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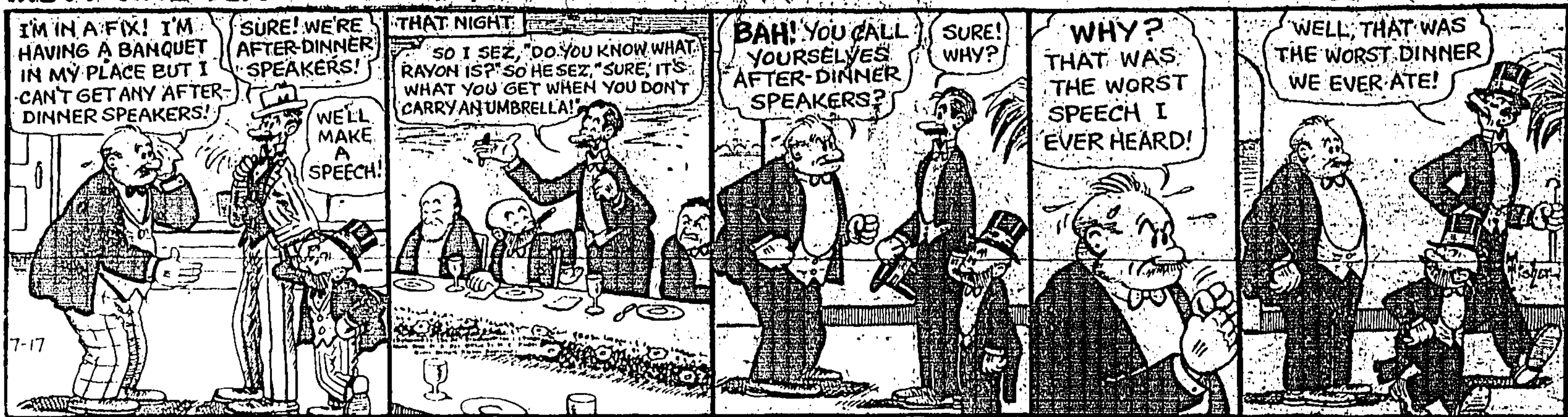
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MORE GERMAN POLICE IN ROME

New groups of German Police have arrived in Rome "to take a course in Colonial police work" at Tivoli it was announced in Rome yesterday. — Reuter.

ENEMY SHELLFIRE

IN THE FRONTIER AREA IN LIBYA THERE WAS A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF ENEMY SHELLFIRE YESTERDAY, SAYS A BRITISH COMMUNIQUE ISSUED IN CAIRO.

At Tobruk, enemy artillery activity was less than usual.

In the Wolkherit area in Italian East Africa, a small party of patriots, supported by a few light guns, successfully attacked an enemy position capturing a few prisoners. — Reuter.

SOVIET CONTINUES RAPID ADVANCE IN IRAN

THE ENTRY OF SOVIET troops into six more Iranian towns was officially announced in Moscow yesterday.

The advance brings them considerably nearer to the capital, Teheran, and also nearer to the regions into which the British troops have already advanced.

Hazvin — where British and Russian troops have already established contact — on the road linking Tabriz and the capital was the most important of the places entered by the Russians yesterday.

Sari and Shari are two small towns twenty miles apart — the former being 70 miles south-west of Bandar Shah, the Caspian post and the railhead.

Sebzewar, the fourth town mentioned, indicates a considerable advance. It lies just south-west of the Jaghtal Mountains and is about as far inside Iran from the Turkomenistan frontier as Meshed, which was occupied a few days ago.

Peaceful Progress

Soviet troops have also gone further southward in Eastern Iran and have entered the small towns of Turbat-Haidari and Turbat-Shaikjam. These towns are about 80 miles apart opposite the north-western corner of the Afghanistan frontier.

Reports from Tabriz and elsewhere continue to emphasise the peaceful acceptance by the inhabitants of the allied entry. — Reuter.

TERMS TO IRAN

Though the terms of the settlement which has been offered to Iran by Britain and Russia are not yet known, it is confidently believed in London that they will prove generous while at the same time ensuring that the dangers of the country becoming a Nazi centre of intrigue in the Middle East shall finally be removed and that the important route of supplies to Russia through Iran shall be maintained.

General outline of the terms, as envisaged by the Press, includes the temporary occupation of certain specific areas of Iran, provision for unimpeded transport of war material to Russia through the country and the expulsion of virtually all Germans.

The terms would make it clear that such demands are made as a purely wartime expedient and that they in no way infringed respect for Iranian independence and integrity. — British Wireless.

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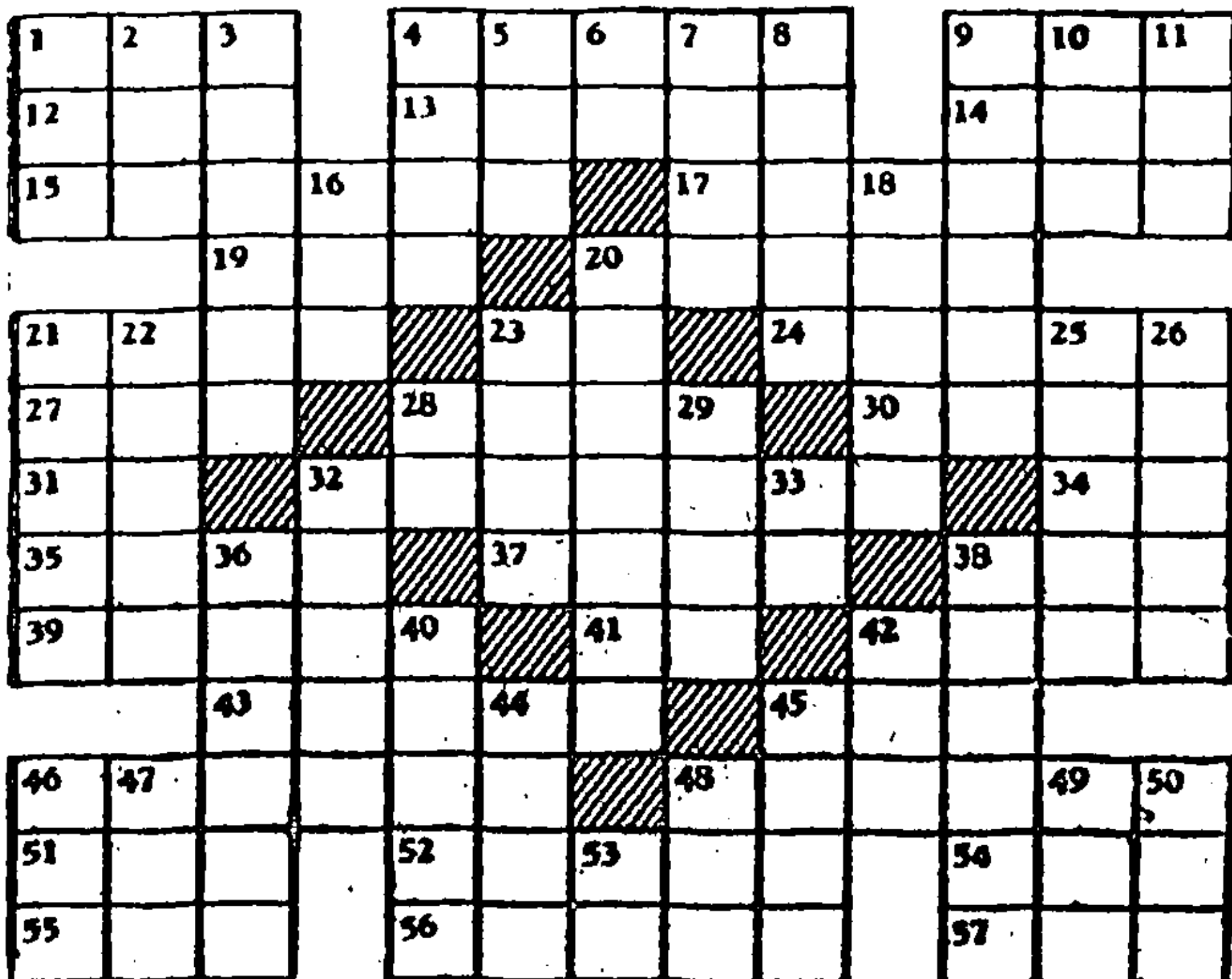
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- 4 Untrue
- 9 Wing
- 12 To bring forth
- 13 Law: to revoke
- 14 Ignited
- 15 Arctic dweller
- 17 Japanese emperor
- 19 Fruit drink
- 20 Bishop's headress
- 21 Female horse
- 23 Greek letter
- 24 Large nail
- 27 Hummingbird
- 28 Present
- 30 Image
- 31 Sun god
- 32 To acknowledge
- 34 Symbol for ruthenium
- 35 Manerly
- 37 Appellation of Athena
- 38 To disfigure
- 39 To omit
- 41 Printer's measure
- 42 Cord
- 43 Lukewarm
- 45 Roman bronze

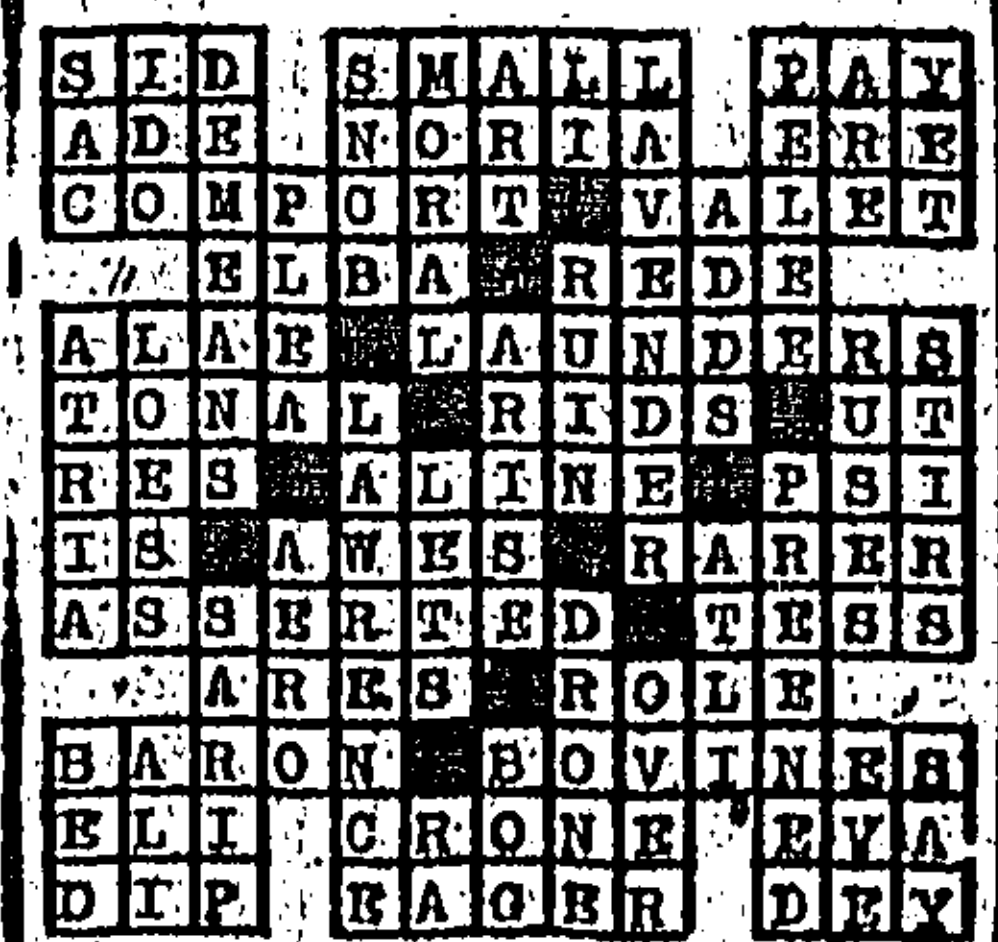
VERTICAL

- 1 To observe
- 2 Dance step
- 3 Capital of Turkey
- 4 Renown
- 5 Flurry
- 6 French article
- 7 Prefix: half
- 8 Gives forth
- 9 King of the Visigoths
- 10 Cover

11 Philippine

- 1 Island ward division
- 16 European fish
- 18 Military caps
- 20 Silenced
- 21 French river
- 22 To be of use
- 23 One of Columbus's ships
- 25 Scriptures of the Mohammedans
- 26 To come into operation
- 28 To depart
- 29 To abound
- 32 Granted
- 33 Symbol for sodium in
- 36 Fruit similar to the lemon
- 38 Deceived
- 40 Lyric poem
- 42 Constellation
- 44 Arrow poison
- 45 Projecting part of a building
- 46 Soft substance
- 47 To mature
- 48 Tropical bird
- 49 To place
- 50 Crude metal
- 51 Land measure

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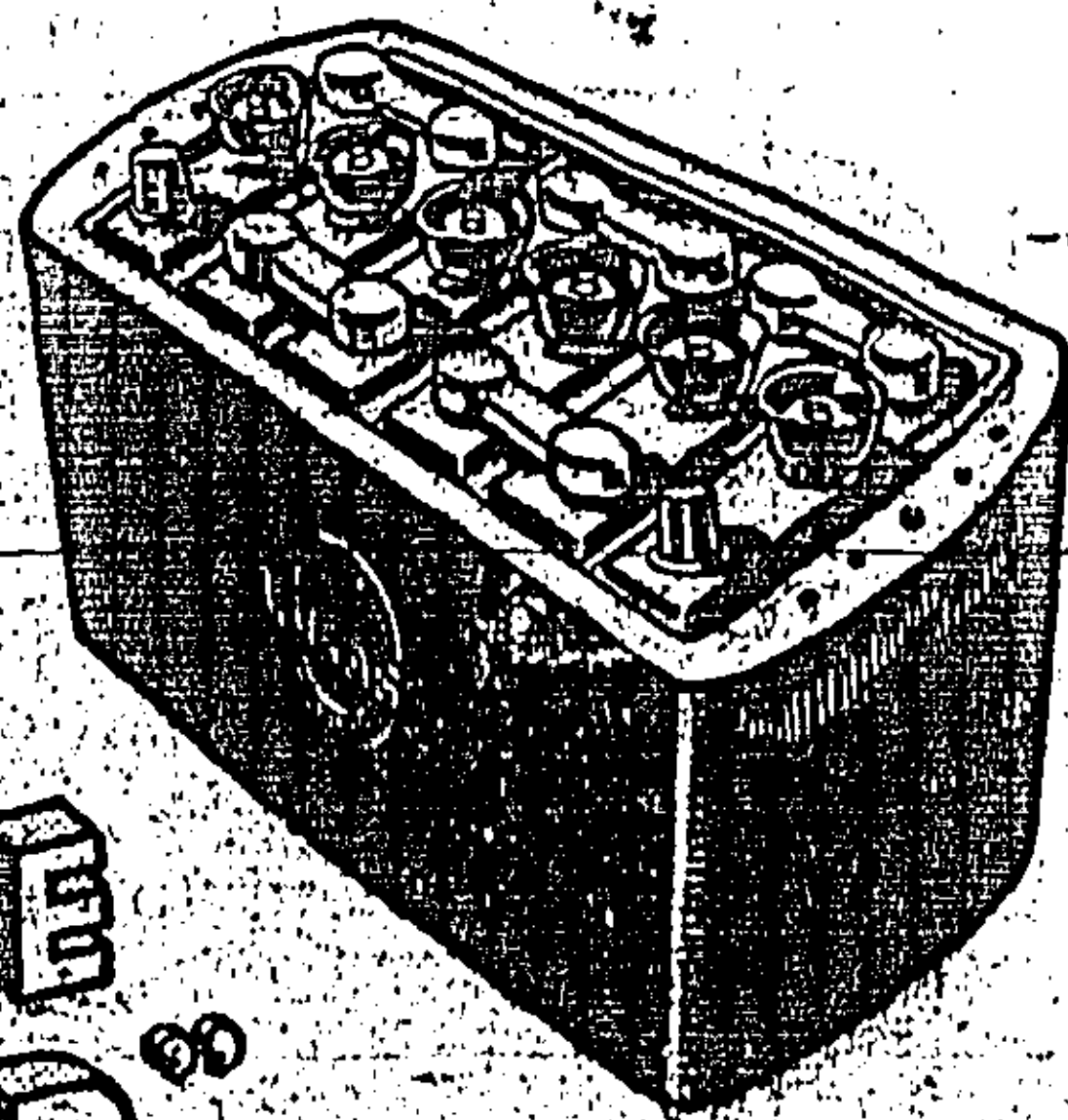
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INSPIRING FAREWELL SPEECH BY THE GOVERNOR

A MASS REPRESENTATIVE meeting was held at the King's Theatre at noon to-day to bid farewell and to make presentations on behalf of the community to His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, and Lady Northcote, on the eve of their departure.

Heads of Departments and the Services, members of the Executive, Legislative and Urban Councils, members of the Consular Body, and representatives of numerous organisations in the Colony attended the meeting, while the Gallery was packed with members of the general public.

His Excellency was presented with a large folding screen bearing the valedictory address made by the Hon. Sir Robert Kotewall, Kt., C.M.G., LL.D., on behalf of the Chinese community.

At the conclusion of His Excellency's farewell speech, Lady Northcote was presented with a bouquet by Miss Rita Lo, daughter of the Hon. Mr. M. K. and Mrs. Lo.

The Valedictory Address read on behalf of the community of Hong Kong by the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson was as follows:

The members of this community regret that ill health should necessitate your departure from Hong Kong.

Your Excellency has done much for Hong Kong during your term of office here and those of us who have had the honour of working for you know how important the common weal was in your eyes. We recognise your great interest in social services, one of the sorrows of war is that humanity is set back, things essential in peace time must wait until the war effort is fully served and victory won. But we do thank you for the very great deal that you have done for us.

And so good-bye. May this community wish Your Excellency renewed health in a more kindly climate and to you and Lady Northcote the very best of good fortune.

Chinese Address

The Hon. Sir Robert Kotewall read the Valedictory Address on behalf of the Chinese Community, of which the following is a translation:

In the "Book of Changes" it is said: "If the right man be not in office, right principles of government will not prevail." By promoting international friendship and by paying regard to public opinion, Tzu Ch'an governed the State of Cheng; by practising sincerity and by dispensing justice, K'ung Ming governed the Kingdom of Shu. We read of these men in history and we admire them. How fortunate we are to have met one of their like, and to have personally received benefits from him.

In the year 1937, His Majesty the King appointed Your Excellency to be the Governor of Hong Kong. Before this, Hong Kong was a great port in the Far East; ships from the four quarters of the world assembled in its harbour; precious goods were stacked on mountain-high; trade and commerce prospered; and the people were law-abiding. The Colony had always been regarded as one easy to rule. But when Your Excellency alighted, from your carriage and assumed your duties, China was disturbed by the incursion of foreign soldiery. Communication by sea was impeded; cost of living was soaring; refugees had flocked hither; and the Colony was in a state of unquiet. Your Excellency took as your guide the principles that good government rests on a liberal policy; that the duty of government is to nurture the people; that where there is no distinction of race or class, sincerity is sufficient to bring about public loyalty; and that in all things, large and small, cooperation is sufficient to achieve results. During the four years of Your Excellency's administration you have steadfastly followed these principles in all your administrative acts.

"SAGACIOUS AND QUICK"
Benevolent and kindly, you, Sir, are yet courageous and resolute. Sagacious and quick in action, you

are yet industrious and cautious. Thus the aged have received solace, the young have received due care, the people have enjoyed peace and security, and the Community has continued busy as before. So pervasive has been your beneficent rule that the people sing and dance for joy.

Realising that China to Hong Kong is as the lip is to the teeth, you have striven to foster neighbourly relations. Out of pity for the destitute refugees you gave them sanctuary and sustenance; in commiseration for the wounded and the suffering you have given liberally from your own purse for their relief. Education and culture had not been sufficiently widespread through a want of trained teachers, and you established a Training College to meet the want. The hard lot of the labouring class needed improvement, and you created a Labour Office for their welfare. The living conditions of the Community were poor, and you planned to set up a Permanent Commission for the purpose of considering, without intermission, means for their betterment and for the advancement of social service generally.

These important measures are well known to all. They have been made possible by your earnest strivings and untiring efforts amidst countless difficulties and obstacles. All measures conducing to the weal of the Colony and on behalf of charity have always received Your Excellency's sympathetic attention. Functions held for such purposes have often been graced by Your Excellency's personal attendance and helped by your wise guidance. Thus encouraged and stimulated by your enthusiasm and zeal, the people have redoubled their effort in all good causes, with results that have been as substantial as they have been far-reaching. In truth, Your Excellency is a good friend to China, and a lucky star to the residents of Hong Kong.

"INFINITE CHARM"

This, too, is worthy of mention. The influence of your virtue has extended to your household. Lady Northcote, with her tender compassion and infinite charm, has been unsparing in supporting you in all charitable and other good work. "The minister of state manages the external affairs; his consort manages the internal affairs." The virtue of a wife shows up more brightly the achievements of the husband.

In 1939 the European war broke out. Afar, Your Excellency has been deeply concerned in your Country's trials; near, you have been solicitous for your people's needs. Under candle-light you have laboured without cease till the small hours of the night. When urged to spare your strength for the sake of the State you said: "This is my duty; how can I do otherwise? Besides, there is much to do; how can I spare myself?" As a result your heavy, unremitting labour has brought on ill health. Seeing that your recovery was slow, you desired to make way for another, physically more fit for your responsible office. You accordingly sought permission to relinquish your appointment. His Majesty the King, appreciating the singleness of your purpose, granted your request. When the news became known, the people were surprised and distressed, but they were powerless, knowing that in the circumstance they would not be able to stay your departure.

Now Your Excellency is about

SHIP'S SAILING DELAYED

It is officially announced that the vessel in which Sir Geoffrey and Lady Northcote are to sail will not be leaving tomorrow as expected.

The date of time of the vessel's departure will be notified later.

to leave us. Happily you still possess in full all your mental powers, and we accordingly look forward with certainty to your re-emergence from retirement in the near future. The pity of it is that though we have received abundance of good from your administration you have not been able, owing to the difficulties of these times, to complete your many great schemes and liberal policies.

"Fragrant Incense"

You are leaving us. In bidding you farewell we burn fragrant incense, and pray that you and Lady Northcote may have the blessings of health and good fortune, and we offer you, as our good wish, the following lines from the "Book of Odes":—
Happy is the good man
Who is the firm base of the State.

Happy is the good man
Whose lot is countless years of blessings.
Happy is the good man
Who is the light of his Country.
Happy is the good man
Whose life is for ever and ever.
Happy is the good man
Who is father of his people.
Happy is the good man
Whose fair fame endures without end.

There followed the ceremony of the presentation of gifts from the Chinese ladies of Hong Kong to Lady Northcote by Mrs. M. K. Lo, supported by Mrs. W. N. T. Tam and Mrs. Li Tse-fong, after which His Excellency said:

"I am sure that you will realise that I stand here to say 'goodbye' to you with very mixed feelings: (Continued on Page 13)

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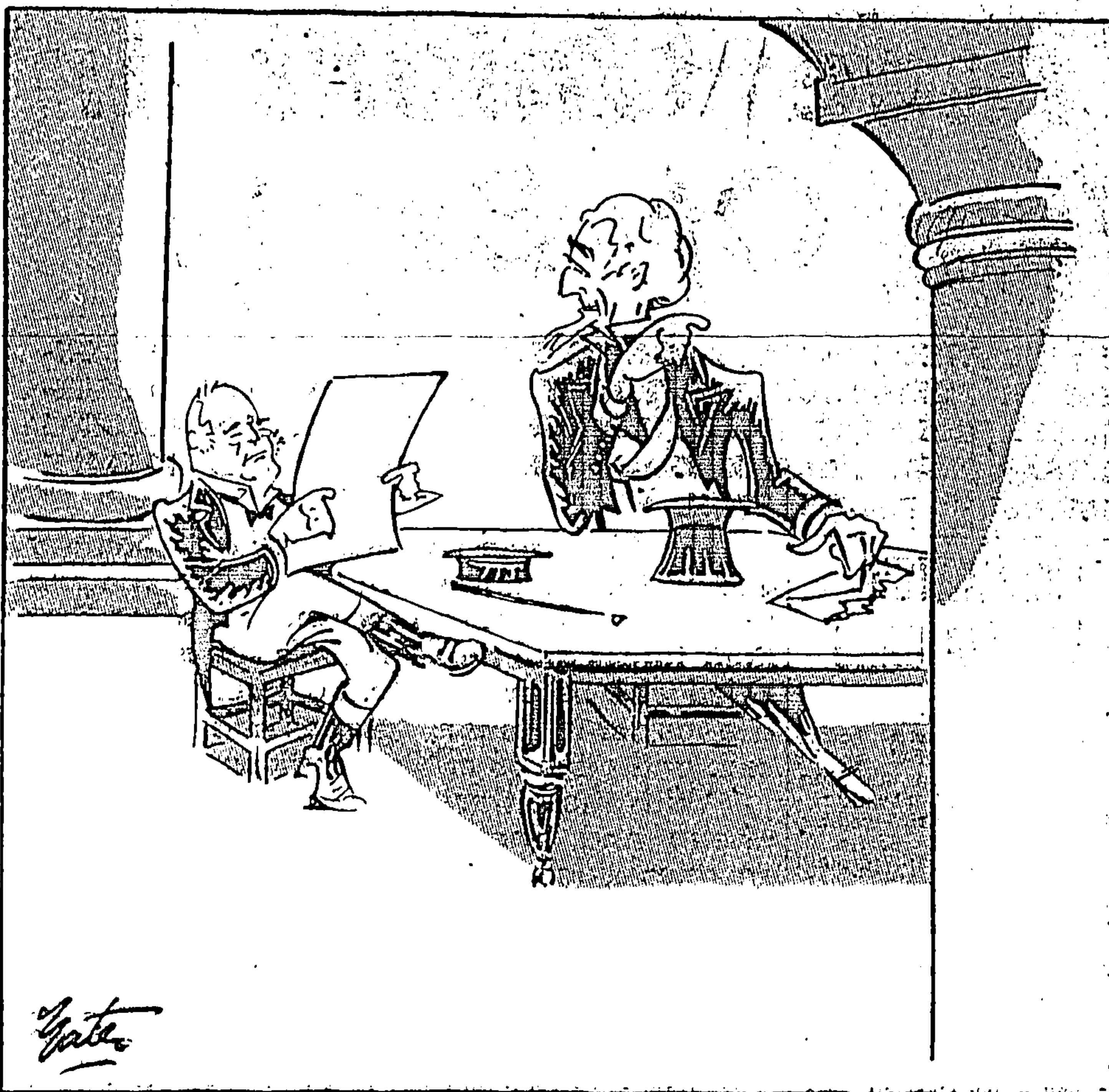
Beethoven did not know the Morse code. But he wrote in it. By the sheerest and yet most appropriate coincidence possible, he employed as a rhythmic pattern in the first movement of his Fifth Symphony what any telegrapher would recognise as the Morse symbol for the letter V.

There are two coincidences here, one of them obvious and of no importance. The letter V is the Roman equivalent of the figure 5, but what matters more is that V has become in France and other occupied countries a symbol of ultimate victory over the Nazi terror. It is written on walls and elsewhere to catch the eye of Nazi overseers. It is ubiquitous. So many V's have appeared as to suggest some sort of underground organisation. As long ago as April this newspaper reported on this movement.

Now, like an increasingly unruly child, V is not only going to be seen but heard. For victims of Nazi ambition are now learning to spell it out in dots and dashes; dot-dot-dot-dot-dash. They can even sing or whistle it, to the first four notes of the world's most familiar symphony. If Frenchmen do this as often as sentiment prompts they will reproduce most of the symphony's first movement, which is based on a constant reiteration of dot-dot-dot-dot-dash motifs, one set overlaying another in crescendos sometimes expressive of an increasing fury, as of suppressed peoples.

Nazis seem apprehensive over this secret weapon. They are trying to cause confusion by adopting V as a symbol of Nazi victory. But those who write or sound V for freedom can, as "Colonel V. Britton" has suggested in a broadcast naming July 20 as "V Day," leave the confusion "where it belongs—in Berlin."

The Nazis may find themselves in a veritable vortex of sounds dearly familiar to German ears but ill attuned to Nazi theories. Beethoven would never have been a Nazi. The story of his disillusion with Napoleon is twice told: how the composer had dedicated his "Eroica" Symphony to the military genius of the French Revolution only to destroy the dedication page when Napoleon began to act like a Hitler.



THAT'S ALL RIGHT, BUT WHAT DOES THE JAPANESE ARMY SAY?

AMERICA IN THE BATTLE TO END NAZI TYRANNY

"TO OUR FELLOW workers of all lands, many of whom are risking their lives to hear this broadcast — your battle is ours," declared Mr. Sydney Hidlam, Associate Director of the Office of Production Management in a broadcast to Mr. Ernest Bevin, British Minister of Labour, yesterday.

He spoke in the same broadcast as President Roosevelt, adding "We will help to fight with all our faith, strength and skill in mine, factory and firm to-day, to-morrow and every day until that battle is won."

PILOTS BORN IN INDIA DECORATED

The latest R.A.F. awards include the Distinguished Service Order to Acting-Squadron Leader Terence Patrick Armstrong-Bradley, D.F.C., No. 35 Squadron, who was born in Calcutta and educated in England.

He was commissioned in 1938, promoted to Acting Squadron Leader in 1940 and won the D.F.C. in July, 1940.

The D.F.C. is awarded to Squadron Leader Charles Neil Fleming who was born in Poona in 1912 and educated at St. Joseph's College at Nini Tal. He was commissioned in 1934 and in the following year served in Iraq on flying duties.

He was promoted to Squadron Leader in June 1940. The D.F.C. is also awarded to Flying Officer Arthur John Smitz, R.A.F. Volunteer Reserve No. 57 Squadron. Smitz was born in Northern Bengal, served in the Mounted Rifles from 1928 to 1929 and was commissioned in the R.A.F. in March, 1940 as an air gunner. —Reuter.

"We know that the outcome of to-day's fight for freedom and human dignity depends on us turning out the hundreds of ships, tanks and planes that will guarantee victory for those fighting the battle for democracy."

"All Americans have responded to this task. We have mobilised our manpower and will-power for the contest between the workshops of the Democracies and the Axis. Our working people know that none of us can be secure in our jobs while Hitler's gangsters remain at large."

Mr. William Green, President of the American Federation of Labour, speaking in the same broadcast, said: "As a nation, we have made up our minds to stop this threat to our peace and safety, to defend ourselves at any cost and to help other countries in the path of the Nazi war machine to defend themselves." He urged the United States to force with greater force and to have more implements of war than the Nazi could command. —Reuter.

Air Smash

Twelve people were killed and four seriously injured when a transport plane on its way to Toulouse crashed into the Bolmon Lake near Marseilles. One of the passengers is reported to be a member of the Franco-Italian Armistice Commission. —Reuter.

HITLER THE STAR GAZER

"Hitler has presented Mussolini with a great astronomical observatory which is being built near Rome and is to be completed this year. It will be provided with the best precision instruments."

This was announced by the German Radio yesterday afternoon. —Reuter.

ENLISTING WOMEN FOR WAR

STATING THAT IT IS NECESSARY TO MAKE IT QUITE CLEAR THAT NEITHER THE ARMED FORCES NOR THE WAR INDUSTRIES CAN BE FULLY MOBILISED UNLESS WOMEN IN LARGE NUMBERS ARE OBTAINED, THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND NATIONAL SERVICE ANNOUNCES STRINGENT MEASURES TO ACCELERATE THE FLOW OF "WOMAN POWER."

Women who have registered and decline to join one of the auxiliary services when selected for war work after interviews at Employment Exchanges will be ordered to go into war factories.

Important changes of policy have been made to tighten up the administration of the registration regulations.

Women of the 1915 class registered on Saturday.

Of the 1,500,000 or more now registered 100,000 women have gone into services or war employment and 1,000,000 remain to be interviewed.

Meanwhile the needs for women recruits, apart from industry, steadily increase. The Auxiliary Territorial Service, for example, need 200,000 by next June. Half a million women are likely to be needed for vital war work within the next year. —British Wireless.

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BATTLE OF BEAUTIES

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL").
THE SHANGHAI TWO-WEEK LONG "BATTLE OF BEAUTIES" IN THE BRITISH COURT ENDED THIS MORNING WITH THE REGISTRAR, MR. G. H. HAINES, GIVING JUDGMENT TO THE EFFECT THAT BOTH PARTIES WERE EQUALLY TO BLAME.

The assault action was originally brought by Miss Mercia May Scharnhorst against Miss Elsie Cruz, but subsequent hearings revealed that a fight had ensued between defendant and four members of plaintiff's family over a bathroom dispute.

Miss Cruz bore visible evidence during the proceedings, nursing a black eye and bites on the arm.

The Registrar condemned the case as "disgraceful for British subjects." Miss Cruz later filed counter-charges and was awarded \$50 damages for medical costs, while Miss Scharnhorst was bound over on recognizances in the sum of \$250 and two sureties of \$250 each.—International News Service.

NEW INDICTMENT

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

THE U. S. DISTRICT ATTORNEY IN SHANGHAI, MR. LEIGHTON SHIELDS, YESTERDAY PROMISED SENSATIONAL REVELATIONS WHEN SAMUEL TITLEBAUM FACES A NEW INDICTMENT TO-DAY.

The nature of the charges are not disclosed but it is believed to have a bearing on an allegation that Titlebaum's fingerprints correspond with those of a grand larceny convict and fugitive from justice since 1932.

Following to-morrow's indictment Titlebaum will be formally brought for trial by Judge Nelson E. Lurton in a few days' time.—International News Service.

Trade Unions In Van Of Battle

IN HIS PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS TO THE TRADES UNION CONGRESS IN EDINBURGH YESTERDAY, MR. GEORGE GIBSON EMPHASISED THE PART TRADE UNIONISTS COULD PLAY IN PLACING INTERNATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS ON A FIRMER AND MORE PERMANENT FOUNDATION.

WRISTWATCH SNATCHING GANG

A gang of alleged wrist-watch snatchers, was charged before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Tong Lai-hung, 17, was charged with snatching wrist-watches from Miss Josephine Chow, of No. 49, Village Road, ground floor; and from Miss Ng Siu-lin of No. 2, Kai Tak Road. A 23-year-old married woman, Cheung Sun-fong, was charged with receiving stolen property.

Lo Pan, 18, and Tse Tok, 21, were charged with stealing a wrist-watch from a Chinese woman in Fenwick Street yesterday, and Kwok Choi, 24, married woman, was charged with receiving.

Several wrist-watches were found in accused's possession. The case was adjourned for 72 hours for further enquiries.

ment Titlebaum will be formally brought for trial by Judge Nelson E. Lurton in a few days' time.—International News Service.

On the Trade Unionists of this country and on their comrades in the Dominions and the U.S.A., the task now fell of seeing that their forces and those of their Allies are provided with an overwhelming mechanical and fire power in tanks, 'planes and armoured cars and guns of all descriptions.

With those they should be able to overwhelm and finally destroy the malignant enemies which menaced everything for which their movements had struggled through 150 years of effort and sacrifice.

Referring to the Prime Minister, Mr. Gibson said that they had had their quarrels with him and would have them again but at the moment he epitomised the tenacious mood to win of the British commonwealth. Never was the nation more united. They would face any and every hardship to overthrow Hitlerism.

Looking to the future, Mr. Gibson said: "Let us, as Trade Unionists, be worthy of ourselves and our history. Let us be sure that in the rebuilding of Britain, new cities shall be finer and cleaner and great in more than their aggregation of population and business."

Just Economics

"Let us make our economics juster and more equitable. Let us resolve that our international relationships shall be put upon a firmer and more permanent foundation. In the fulfilment of these great tasks we shall need the closest cooperation between all our forces, a strong and virile trade union movement and a powerful and adequately staffed labour party."

Even in the stress of this titanic struggle, Mr. Gibson concluded, they had preserved much of their ancient heritage of freedom. They were the only country at war in the world where bread was not rationed.

Their Parliament alone amongst those of belligerents had carried out extensive social reforms of lasting benefit to the toiling masses of this country.

Russia Welcomed

Welcoming Russia as an ally, Mr. Gibson said that this did not imply the least sympathy with British Communist Party leaders. "The astonishing gyrations of these people have placed them in the lowest category in the esteem of the British working class," said Mr. Gibson. "For them, the war ceased to be an imperialist war at 4 a.m. on Sunday, June 22, 1941, when Germany attacked Russia and became a righteous one."

Mr. Gibson said that the "swollen bulfrog of the Pontine Marshes" had got what he earned, while Hitler knew what was coming to him.

Referring to Britain's war production, Mr. Gibson went on to say that it would help greatly if a certain section of the Press and certain groups of Parliament were a little more balanced in their judgment of the causes of production hold-ups.

Some of the strictures made had placed all emphasis on "absenteeism" and none of the cause of that phenomenon. Actually the production lag was due to the intensity of the national effort, the growth and dispersal of factories, the immense call-up of skilled men and the spreading of a very thin level of the remainder and a comparatively small amount of skilled management.

A Little Painfully

Nevertheless, Mr. Gibson added "on the whole and to a marvellous extent, the national effort has

been a very good one. We are striding a little painfully perhaps, with joints creaking and groaning here and there, but still striding along the high road to full industrial production."

Talking of the war aims, Mr. Gibson said that, pending the creation of a federal Europe, it was for the English speaking nations to show the way to the creation of a working federation of nations.

The United States should play its part with Britain in the process of development, not only on a trade basis, but also in the matter of political relations.

Inter-Trading System

He would not debar any continental nation from becoming a member of this bloc which would have for its main object the development of an inter-trading system for the allotment of raw materials, investments, labour and skill.

Referring to American aid, Mr. Gibson said: "I have no words adequate to express our immense gratitude to the people of the United States and among them, especially to the workers of that great citadel of liberty, for their prompt and generous aid to us in the hours of our need."

"Generations of free men yet unborn will bless them for it. To our friends across the Atlantic, I say 'Weary not in well-doing.'"

One suggestion made by Mr. Gibson in discussing post war construction was that in collaboration with the Dominion Governments, the population of the Dominions should be increased by the influx of those people who would help to make them strong against the threat of further wars, and "in the process, the industrial development of the Dominions should be aided and extended by a settlement of skilled industrialists from this country."

Another Attitude

If on both sides there was less talk of immutable policies and frank recognition that the rapidly changing world demands some adaptability, at least in the interpretation of so-called fixed principles, half the battle of adjustment would be won, says the Japanese-owned "Singapore Herald" commenting on the Washington talks, adding that two things need plainest emphasis in Washington and London on the part of Japan:—

Firstly, it is not Japan's policy to threaten or attack American or British territory or interests or to close the China market; Secondly, it is Japan's consistent policy to avoid participation in the war.—Reuter.

Mrs. Keller, of Mody House, reported that between 9.20 p.m. and midnight on Sunday a carpet and other articles to a total value of \$41 were stolen from the ground floor of No. 10, Chatham Road.

JAPANESE NAVAL SHUFFLE

Reshuffling of the Naval General Staff was officially announced in Tokyo yesterday.

Rear-Admiral Seiji Ito is appointed Vice-Chief of the Naval General Staff, succeeding Rear-Admiral Nobutake Kondo who has held the post since October, 1939.

Admiral Kondo has been appointed to an undisclosed post at sea.

The announcement also revealed that Rear-Admiral Nishizo Tsukahara, Commander of the Chindai Naval Station in Southern Korea, has been transferred to duty with the General Staff, with Rear-Admiral Inuta Sakamoto appointed as his successor.

Captain Shigetada Horiuchi has been appointed Chairman of the Naval Mission to French Indo-China replacing Captain Kanye Chudo, who has been transferred as a Sectional Chief of the Naval General Staff.—Reuter.

Searing Brutal War

"Two years of searing, brutal, senseless war, during which Hitler and his satellites have pursued a callous course of making over the world to the German image."

This is how the St. Louis "Globe Democrat" describes the two years since September 1939.

"After two years, Britain and China and the Free French still stand as a barrier with the United States committed to all-out defence and engaged in rearming on a fabulous scale."

"This September finds the American conscript army in training, our largest peace-time army in history, and it finds American soldiers treading strange foreign soil well into the periphery of the danger zone."

"The Roosevelt-Churchill high seas conference resulted in the Atlantic charter, the foundation on which will rest a better world."—Reuter.

MINIATURE STEEL HELMETS

A SPECIAL APPEAL IS TO BE MADE ON BEHALF OF HONG KONG'S BOMBER FUND ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4, ON WHICH DATE SOUVENIRS IN THE FORM OF MINIATURE STEEL HELMETS WILL BE SOLD THROUGHOUT THE COLONY.

Lady MacGregor has kindly consented to act as President, and a ladies' committee will shortly meet to discuss the arrangements for the day.

The event, which it is hoped, will raise a record sum for the Bomber Fund, is being sponsored by The Hong Kong War Effort Committee, who will be responsible for the provision of the souvenirs, and are undertaking all clerical and publicity work.

RUSSIAN IN ANZAC AIR FORCE

Vladimir Vitte, 31, a naturalised Russian tractor driver, from Tully, has been accepted for air crew by Brisbane Air Force recruiting authorities.

Vitte, who was born and educated in China, is believed to be the first Russian accepted for air crew in Queensland. He has been 10 years in the State. Recruiting officials said that he was a particularly fine type of recruit.

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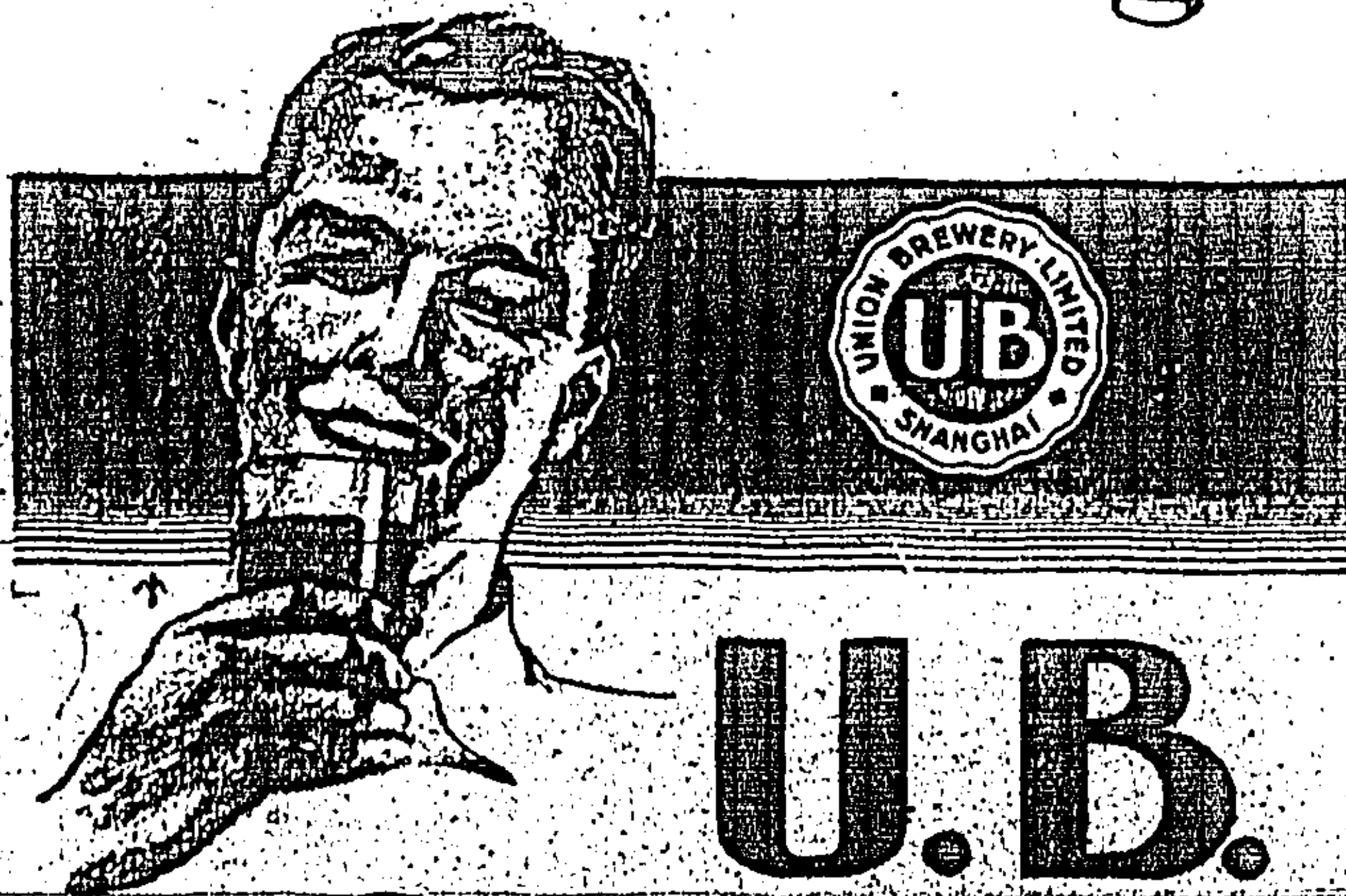
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Bellicose Broadcast In Japan

Army Sentiments In Contrast With Konoye Caution

A HIGHLY BELLICOSE SPEECH on the alleged encirclement of Japan by the ABCD front was broadcast throughout Japan yesterday by Colonel Hayao Mabuchi, in an "East Asia Day" programme.

Colonel Mabuchi is the Japanese Army press chief and his "death struggle" broadcast is sharply contrasted with the cautious tones of the military leaders in Tokyo.

Leaflets Dropped In Iran

"All Germans in Iran are spies and enemies of the Iranian people," say leaflets dropped over Teheran by a Soviet plane yesterday.

"They want to make slaves of the Iranians."

The leaflets warn Iranians that the Germans, for their own interests, desire to draw Iran into a war against their friends, Russia and Britain.

"People of Iran, the hour has arrived for you to end Hitler's intrigues in Iran. Britain and Russia have taken steps to this end."

"Death to Hitlerism, which wants to make Iran like other countries the Nazis have conquered."

"Long Live Soviet-Iranian Friendship."

Leaflets on these lines were dropped both yesterday and Sunday. — Reuter.

TRIAD SOCIETY FEUD

SIN HUNG, 18, SAID TO BE A MEMBER OF A TRIAD SOCIETY, WAS SENTENCED TO SIX WEEKS' HARD LABOUR BY MR. G. T. LOWRY THIS MORNING, FOR POSSESSION OF AN INSTRUMENT FIT FOR AN UNLAWFUL PURPOSE.

Detective Cheung Wing-kam was on patrol in Des Voeux Road Central near the World Theatre yesterday when he saw a large crowd outside the theatre. They scattered when he approached but defendant was arrested with a chopper in his girdle. Accused was on his way to a fight with another triad society.

WOMAN'S EXCUSE

Stating that she was told by her husband to pawn the machine as he had no money, Sui Fan, 28, married woman, was cautioned by Major A. N. Macfadyen at Kowloon this morning for illegally pawning a sewing machine on March 19.

Complainant, Chui Tong, 32, a married woman, stated that accused was her husband's common-law wife.

Accused stated that she had not been given money for the last two years by her husband and during which period she got into debt. She pawned the machine with the consent of her husband because she wanted to liquidate her debts.

"We must break through the ABCD (American, British, Chinese and Dutch) encirclement, and if necessary will use force," he declared.

"IT WOULD BE THE HIGHEST FOLLY TO SIT BY IDLY AND AWAIT DEATH," HE ADDED.

Colonel Mabuchi predicted that intensive diplomatic efforts would be continued in an attempt to overcome the very grave crisis confronting Japan, but if these efforts were to fail Japan would be obliged to employ force regardless of how long the war might last.

"IN A DEATH STRUGGLE TO SAVE OUR GREAT HISTORY, EVEN TO THE LAST MAN AND AT THE COST OF REDUCING OUR LAND TO ASHES," CONCLUDED THE COLONEL.

This speech and other expressions of similar sentiment in Japanese army quarters contrast with the attitude of civilian members of the government, who are apparently awaiting the outcome of the communications between President Roosevelt and Prince Konoye.—Reuter.

"SPADE WORK" DONE IN INDO-CHINA

Major-General Sumita, who headed the Japanese Military Mission to Indo-China, returned to Tokyo yesterday.

He described his task as being concerned only with the "spade work" and added that efforts must now be made to put on the finishing touches.—Reuter.

A box, containing 100 rupees and \$3 was stolen from the first floor of No. 524, Fuk Wing Street, between 12 noon and 6 p.m. yesterday, according to a report made to the police by Abdul Garful.

SHANGHAI SEES SMALL CHANCES OF SETTLEMENT

THE WHOLE ATTENTION of the Shanghai newspapers, especially the pro-Chungking section, remains centred on the talks between Japan and the United States.

A special despatch from Washington to the "Chinese-American Daily News," reputedly the mouthpiece of the Chungking Government, says that the United States will demand the complete withdrawal of the Japanese forces from China as one of the conditions for a settlement of the Far East crisis.

The highly influential "Shun Pao" says that the negotiations were prompted by Japan's desire to delay the outbreak of war in the Pacific so as to give her time to watch the development of the war on the eastern front.

The widely-read "National Herald," expressed the hope that the negotiations will fail because "if Japan agrees to quit the Axis, China will have to make considerable sacrifices."

Typical of pro-Nanking Chinese press comment is that of the "Central China Daily News," official organ to the Wang Chingwei regime, which remarks that the Washington talks have been forced upon America "by the

impending collapse of Soviet Russia."

Difficult To Find

The most noteworthy foreign press comment is that of the Shanghai "Evening Post and Mercury" which says that "common ground for Japanese-American understanding is difficult to find unless one party or the other is willing to withdraw from its avowed course."

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BRIDGE NOTES

REVERSING THE DUMMY

By The Four Aces

Very often the correct play of a hand is to ruff your losers in the dummy and set up your own, but occasionally the process must be reversed. Then you must ruff dummy's losers in your own hand, treating the dummy as the master hand and your own hand as the ordinary sort of dummy. For example:

South, Dealer North-South vulnerable			
NORTH			
♠	J 10 9 8	♥	7 6 4 3
♦	J 8 7 3	♣	—
♠	K Q J 9 8	♥	—
WEST			
♠	2	♥	9 6 5 2
♦	A K Q 10	♣	J 4 3
♠	A Q 8 6 2	♥	5 2
♠	6 4 3	♥	—
SOUTH			
♠	A K Q 5	♥	4
♦	—	♣	K 10 9 7 5
♠	A 10 7	♥	—

The bidding:
South West North East
1♦ Dbl. 2♣ Pass
2♠ Pass 4♠ Pass
6♠ Pass Pass Pass

South's bidding was optimistic, but he was helped by West's defence. West opened the King of hearts and then continued with the heart Queen. That gave South the chance to make his contract. He noted that setting up his own hand would be difficult if not impossible, but that dummy was already set up except for the hearts. The slam would be made if he could ruff out all of dummy's losing hearts, then draw trumps from the dummy, and run the clubs.

West had assisted South by leading two rounds of hearts, but South would still have to get to dummy three times more: twice to lead hearts for ruffing, and once to draw trumps and run the clubs. The three entries were easy to find — two in clubs and one in trumps.

South therefore ruffed the second heart with the spade Queen and led the low trump to dummy's eight. Another heart was ruffed by the spade King, and dummy was entered via the eight of clubs. Dummy's last heart was then ruffed by the Ace of trumps, and dummy was entered for the last time with the Jack of clubs. Dummy's trumps were then led out, drawing all of East's trumps — and south took care to discard the Ace of clubs so as not to block that suit. From there on, dummy had only winning tricks.

Yesterday you were Howard Schenken's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you held:

♠	A K 10 9 7 6
♥	A 9 4
♦	K 10 4 2
♣	—

The bidding:			
Jacoby	Yea	Maler	Schenken
1♣	Dbl.	Pass	2♥
Pass	2♠	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♠	Pass	4♦
Pass	6♠	Pass	6♠
Pass	(?)	Pass	—

ANSWER: Pass. You have invited a slam, your partner has accepted the invitation, and that is the end of the matter. To make another bid would constitute the worst sort of trapping.

*Score 100% for pass, 0 for any other bid.

Question No. 810

To-day you hold the same hand, but the bidding is different:

Jacoby	You	Maler	Schenken
1♣	Dbl.	1♥	Dbl.
Pass	(?)	Pass	—

What do you bid? (Answer to-morrow.)

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divorced and asked him for a job and since then we have been very good friends.

Q.—What did you do with your salary each month, did you bank it?

A.—Part of my money is put in the bank.

Q.—With what bank do you deal?

A.—The Mercantile Bank of India, Ltd.

Q.—When you first started working you put part of your salary in the bank each month, is that it?

A.—I never put my money in the bank until two or three months ago when I learnt that some of my neighbours had had their money stolen.

Q.—What did you do with your spare cash?

A.—I used to keep all my cash in a hand bag.

Q.—And walk about with it all the time?

A.—I either kept it in a hand bag or put it in a drawer or a box in the house.

Q.—Which house?

A.—No. 9, Gap Road, 1st floor.

Q.—Who lives there?

A.—I and two cousins.

Q.—Girl cousins?

A.—No, male cousins.

Money In Bank

Q.—You say you decided to put your money in the bank because you were afraid of being robbed?

A.—In addition to being frightened of being robbed I also decided to put my money in the bank because I was afraid if war came here to Hong Kong, robbers would come into the house.

Q.—How did you come to go to this bank?

A.—I was introduced to the Bank by Wing Commander Steele-Perkins.

Q.—Do you know him?

A.—Yes.

Q.—For how long have you known him?

A.—Three years ago when I was employed in the Man Chung News Agency I was sent by Mr. Leung to go and try to be a reporter. I went on one occasion to his office.

Q.—Who sent you there?

A.—Austin Leung.

Q.—Who is he?

A.—He is also a reporter.

Q.—In this News Agency? You went there, what happened?

A.—The first time I saw Wing Commander Steele-Perkins was when I went to his office to hear a speech.

Q.—When was that, three years ago?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Have you seen him since then?

Dance Tickets

A.—Then I did not see him for a long time. Then I saw him again when I was selling dance tickets in aid of charity and I sold him a ticket. I sold him such tickets on several occasions.

Q.—You used to see him occasionally?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Then how did you come to go to him to be recommended to the Bank, why did you not get your employer to do that?

A.—Because when I decided to put the money in the bank I did not want to put the money in a Chinese bank so I decided to put it in a foreign bank. At first I intended to put it in an American Bank. I thought only a European could introduce me to such a bank and not a Chinese.

Q.—So you went to him?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Have you seen him since he introduced you to this bank?

A.—Yes.

Q.—When and where?

A.—I saw him occasionally and particularly on one occasion during last year when I was selling dance tickets. I happened to meet him.

On The Peak

A.—I met him in the street. He comes to my place, we are friends, we always met each other.

Q.—Have you become good friends since three years ago?

A.—We became very good friends within these few months.

Q.—Do you know where he lives?

A.—I have been to his house

for a party. I don't know the name of the road, it is on a hill.

Q.—On the Peak?

A.—Yes.

Q.—When last did you go to his house?

A.—On his birthday.

Q.—When was that?

A.—Over a week ago — 8th August.

Q.—Have you seen him since then?

A.—Yes, occasionally.

Q.—Where do you generally see him when he does not come to your house?

A.—He used to see me at parties when he did not see me in my house.

Q.—Mention a few of these parties, where did they take place?

A.—At Aunt Violet who is Mrs. Violet Chan.

Q.—Who is she?

A.—She lives at 6 Po Shan Road.

At Office

Q.—That is where you used to meet Wing Commander Steele-Perkins?

A.—Sometimes I met him there but not always.

Q.—Where else did you meet him?

A.—Sometimes I would meet him at dancing parties for charity and other times I saw him in his office.

Q.—You used to go to his office?

A.—Yes.

Q.—What for?

A.—Sometimes to sell tickets and sometimes to ask him for news.

Q.—Do you know Mr. Carmen?

A.—I met him only twice.

Q.—Where?

A.—I met him through Wing Commander Steele-Perkins. He introduced me to him last year at a party.

Q.—Do you know 95, Caine Road?

A.—Yes, I went there once to a party a few days ago.

Q.—Who asked you to go?

A.—Wing Commander Steele-Perkins said Mr. Carmen wanted to invite me and Aunt Vi to a party.

Q.—Did you go?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Who was there?

A.—Wing Commander Steele-Perkins, Aunt Vi, Pauline, two gentlemen, a foreign lady, one of the American Consuls.

A Few Others

Q.—Any other Englishmen?

A.—There were a few others.

Q.—Do you know George Pentreath?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Was he at Mr. Carmen's party?

A.—No, but Mr. McKichan was at the party.

Q.—Mr. Pentreath was not there but you say Mr. McKichan was there?

A.—Yes.

Q.—How long did you know him?

A.—Last year, the first time I started to go out with Wing Commander Steele-Perkins.

Q.—Do you know a Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd?

A.—No.

Q.—You know Mr. Pentreath?

A.—Yes.

Caine Road Party

Q.—You are quite sure he was not at 95, Caine Road, that night Mr. Carmen gave a party?

A.—I am quite sure he was not there that night.

Q.—What about this party at 6, Po Shan Road?

A.—We always have a party there.

Q.—Do you remember the last party you had there, I think it was two days after Mr. Carmen's party?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Was Mr. Pentreath there?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Where?

A.—I met him in the street. He comes to my place, we are friends, we always met each other.

Q.—Have you become good friends since three years ago?

A.—We became very good friends within these few months.

Q.—Do you know where he lives?

A.—I have been to his house



The office stenog says after a week-end in the country the shine on her nose certainly adds a glow to the gloomy Monday atmosphere.

A.—Yes, Mr. Pentreath, Mr. McKichan — oh — over 50 people — it was a big party.

Q.—You said just now you met Mr. McKichan when you started to go out with Wing Commander Steele-Perkins — what do you mean by that?

A.—The first time I sold tickets to Wing Commander Steele-Perkins he said he was alone so I said, all right, you buy a ticket and if you have no partner you can join my party. Then he introduced me to Mr. McKichan and I had my friend with me and we had a party. Then I had another party and I sold tickets to him.

Q.—Have you any other banking account other than this one?

A.—No.

Q.—Have you a safe deposit in any bank?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Where?

A.—The Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank.

Q.—How long have you had that?

A.—Only a few months ago.

Q.—Three months ago?

A.—Several months ago — four or five months ago.

Q.—About last June?

A.—Earlier than June.

Q.—Was it before you opened your account with the Mercantile Bank of India or after?

A.—I started an account with the Mercantile Bank of India.

No Introduction

Q.—Who introduced you to the Hong Kong Bank?

A.—Nobody.

Q.—Why did you not put your money in the Hong Kong Bank if you had a deposit box there?

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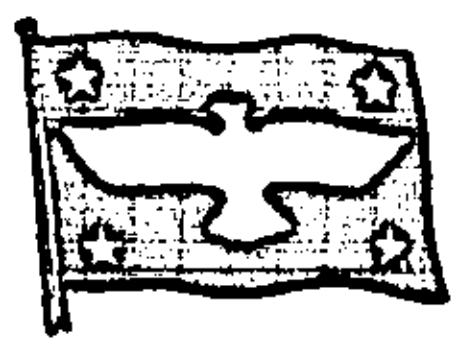
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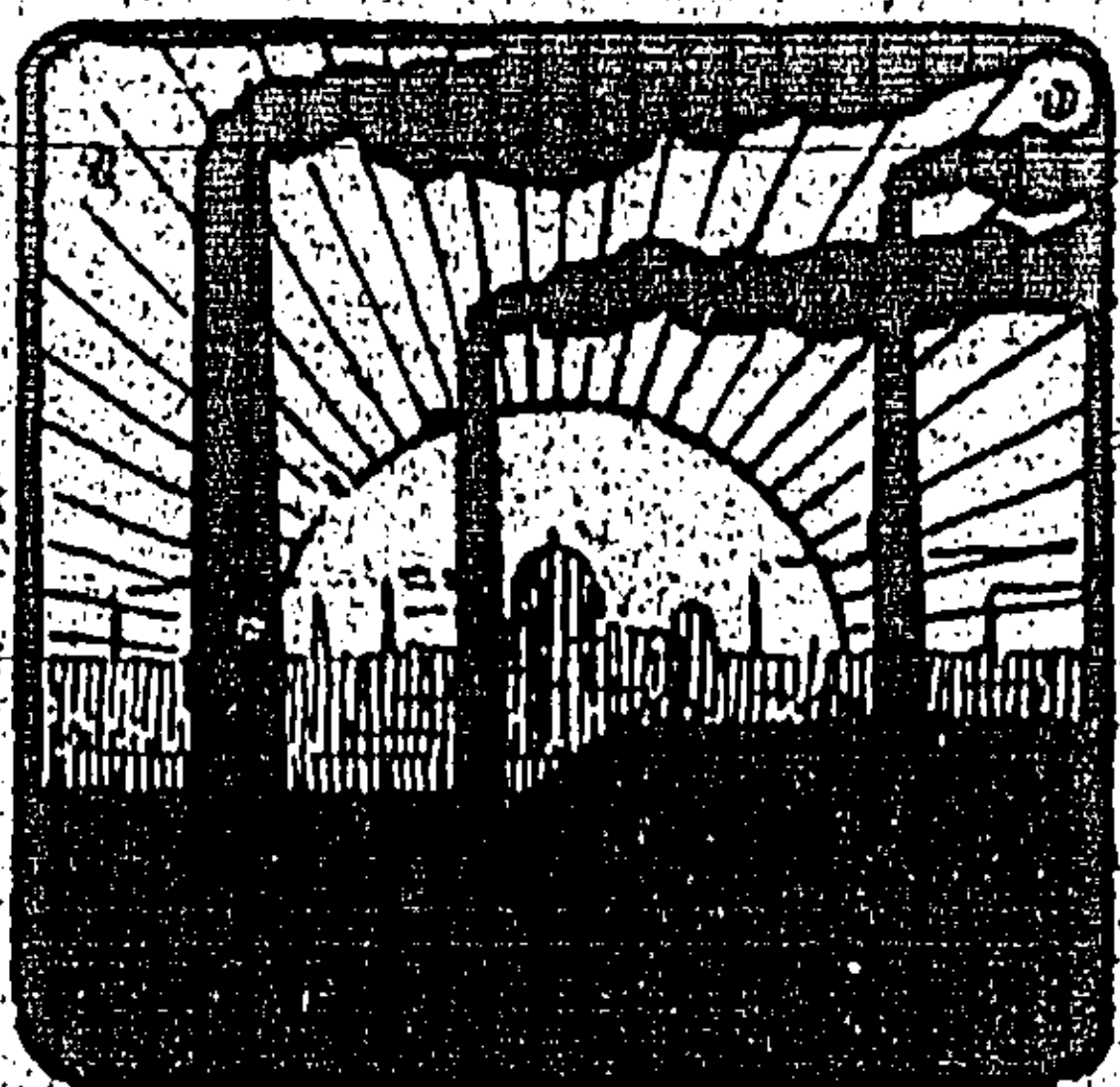
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A.—It is no use to put my money in that bank because what I wanted to do was to go to an American Bank as I intended to go to Manila.

Q.—What is your key number in the safe deposit?

A.—No. 3147.

Q.—Any other number?

A.—No.

Q.—What have you got in the safe deposit?

A.—I have a watch, a chop, an old watch. Until a few days ago I had some Jewellery.

Q.—Where is that Jewellery now?

A.—At home.

Q.—Why have you not put it back in the safe deposit?

A.—I took the Jewellery out last Saturday.

Q.—Do you intend to put it back in the safe deposit?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Let us have a description of your Jewellery?

A.—Three finger rings, one jade, one marriage ring and one with a stone in it.

Q.—Who is Aunt Violet's husband—what is his name?

A.—Chan Wing On—he is dead.

Q.—Had he any elder brothers?

A.—I don't know.

Q.—How do your servants address you in the house.

A.—Ng Siu Tse.

Mr. Carmen, who was then called, said that his firm came into existence in 1936 with a capital of £500,000 but that had since been reduced to £250,000. The directors of his company were Messrs. Marsman, Dodwell, de Vos, Mason and Wilson and their head offices were in Hong Kong, in the Hong Kong Bank Building.

The Chairman: Did your firm do any work for Government? — We are at present doing tunnels on the Hong Kong side.

Are you still doing the work or has it been completed? — We are still doing it.

Have you any idea how much remains to be done? — No. From the very start there was no definite policy of how much work had to be done.

How much have you done? — We have done about 49,000 odd feet, about 250 tunnels.

Written Contract

Have you a written contract for the job? — Yes. Witness then produced the contract.

Can you tell the Commission how you came to get the contract?

Witness then went on to say that it was his firm that first made the suggestion to Government here regarding the digging of tunnels. In April 1939, they submitted suggestions to Wing Comdr. Steele-Perkins and Mr. Hobbs and some correspondence followed, but it was not until the first week in September, 1940, that one of his firm's men, Mr. Lavrov, was requested to attend a meeting between Comdr. Steele-Perkins and the P.W.D. and they were asked then if they could start work immediately.

Witness said then he decided they could not do that until more details had been supplied and also until he had had a discussion with Major Beckerley who arrived here from Manila on September 13, and reviewed the sites. He then took the matter up with the P.W.D. and that was the first time witness came into the picture.

Cost Plus Basis

There was a meeting between Major Beckerley, witness, Messrs. Pearce, Campbell and Bishop, and it was at this meeting that they came to an agreement regarding the terms which were to be "cost plus basis" which witness explained, was cost of all equipment etc., plus 10 per cent.

Witness continued that this, in fact, did not represent 10 per cent. net, as Mr. Pearce insisted upon no office overhead or executive salaries being included, and only agreed to a portion of the salary of the men on the job.

Chairman: That is the contract you are now fulfilling, and that you say you have in writing? — Yes.

Witness went on to explain that this contract was on a preliminary basis for the first few thousand feet. The contract was later revised and Government reserved the right to take over the plant, adding that there was no plant on the job that was not

Government property except plant that had been hired.

"In The Main"

Chairman: At the moment everything on the job, except small apparatus and the plant that is hired belongs to Government, and you get 10 per cent. on the hired plant? — In the main.

What is the system under which you perform the contract? Do you submit items of expenses incurred? — From the start we brought in Messrs. Lowe Bingham and Matthews to audit the accounts and Government agreed to pay 50 per cent. of their fees.

Chairman: Do you get 10 per cent. of that as well? — No.

Who supervises the work you perform for Government? — I am directly responsible for the work and I have appointed Mr. Lavrov as engineer in charge. The P.W.D. approve of all work done and expenses incurred and they have assigned Mr. Campbell to work with Mr. Lavrov.

Money Received

Have you any idea how much money your firm has received for the job so far? — We have up to the end of July spent on behalf of the Government approximately \$2,900,000.

The chairman then said that according to the figures supplied by the P.W.D., the total was \$3,058,871.55 and that the firm's 10 per cent. amounted to \$305,887.15 and asked witness if he had any comments to make on that.

Witness: As I have said the figures given by me were only approximate. I'll have to check that.

Have you any idea how much Government paid you during the month of August? — I'll have to check that.

In July, 1941, your disbursements in respect of tunnels were \$137,534.03 and the pay roll for the week ending July 26, was \$15,209.22. Was that for men on the job or did it include office salaries? — It was for men on the job.

In a week the payroll was \$15,209.22. Is that the average? — It has been higher than that.

The chairman then went on to say that another item for \$13,872.01 was for salaries for July and asked witness what that repre-

sented. Witness replied that showed part of the salaries of some of the engineers and full salaries for some of them.

How many engineers have you on the job? — Approximately eight men and also a list of surveyors working with them.

Lost A Leg

There is another item paid out by you on behalf of Government to Deacons (G. W. Olsen) for \$3,500. What is that? — Mr. Olsen unfortunately lost his leg and that is the settlement on behalf of Government.

You charged 10 per cent. for that? — We did not.

I see in an item for \$166,937.05 Government deducted \$671.50 which they said was the 10 per cent. you charged on Mr. Olsen. Did you or did you not charge 10 per cent? — Yes, I am sorry I misunderstood your question.

Who is Kin Lee? — Kin Lee is the contractor who contracted with P.W.D. to do certain tunnels on the other side, and from whom we have bought some items and to whom we sold some items.

You charge 10 per cent. on that? — I think not, but I reserve the right to check that.

There is one item by Kin Lee of \$23,978.95 of which Government deducted from your amount of \$166,937.05 and there is also another item which they also deducted, payment by Kin Lee, \$3,942.37. — I'll have to check that.

The Chairman then said there was an item marked Hastings & Co., and asked witness if he had any idea what that was for. Witness replied that he presumed it was legal fees in connection with the Olsen case.

The Chairman: On which you charged 10 per cent? — Again I'll have to reserve the right to check that.

The Chairman then said he thought it would be better for them to defer the examination in order that witness may produce his office copies of all disbursements made by his firm since this A.R.P. work started and asked witness to notify the Secretary of the Commission when he was ready to produce them.

Chiap Hua Manager

The next witness was Mr. Cheng Chik-chi, who stated that he was manager of the Hong Kong branch of the Chiap Hua Company. The partners of the firm consisted of relatives and were Cheng Koon-ngai, Kwo Yin-mui, Cheng Chak-lu, Ng Ying-heung, Tse Cheung, Chan Shun-tak, and himself. All the partners with the exception of himself were in Chui Chow and had never been to Hong Kong.

The firm was established 20 years ago and he had been a partner ever since. The original capital of the company was NCS\$30,000. The company progressed and branches were opened in several places. To-day the goodwill of the firm was worth \$250,000 Hong Kong currency.

He personally subscribed \$3,000 to \$4,000 to the firm.

The company did not receive deposits from anybody but junk-folk, owing to the Japanese trouble, used to place money with the firm for safe custody. A receipt was given for such money received and a book issued to such persons.

Witness was asked to produce a record of all such receipts and also his partnership book with the firm.

In reply to the Chairman, witness said he knew Mr. B. C. Lam, who had no share in the company but was paid a salary of \$350 a month.

Commission's Request

Witness was told to produce a statement of all contracts with the government from January 1938 and to state the value of each contract. He was also asked to produce the firm's bank and cash book, general ledger, purchase book, contract book and salaries and wages book.

The enquiry was adjourned to tomorrow at 10 a.m. at the Supreme Court.

Charged with stealing a suit case from the Boys' Quarters of the European Y.M.C.A. last night, and with returning from banishment, Yui Kam-chuen, 30, was sentenced to 10 weeks' hard labour by Major A. N. Macfadyen at Kowloon this morning.

RADIO

- 6.00 p.m.—Indian Programme.
- 6.45 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.
- 6.47 p.m.—Dance Music.
- 7.30 p.m.—Portuguese Programme.
- 8.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
- 8.15 p.m.—London Relay -- War Commentary.
- 8.25 p.m.—London Relay -- "Listening Post". Examination of Points to Daily German Propaganda.
- 8.30 p.m.—Programme Summary.
- 8.32 p.m.—New Variety.
- 9.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Announcements.
- 9.02 p.m.—Studio—Recital by Captain Thompson (Bass) with E. O'Neill Shaw at the Piano.
- 1. (a) O Isis and Osiris ("The Magic Flute"—Mozart); (b) Quiet Night (Schubert); (c) The Great Adventure (Percy E. Fletcher); Captain Thompson (Bass) with Piano accomp.
- 2. Selected Piano Solo...E. O'Neill Shaw.
- 2. (a) Myself When Young ("In A Persian Garden"—Lehmann); (b) Hall, Music! (Gould); Captain Thompson (Bass) with Piano accomp.
- 9.30 p.m.—Orchestral Selections.
- The Immortals—Concert Overture (Reginald King)...The London Symphony Orchestra cond. by Walter Goehr.
- Intermezzo from "Bajazet" (Leoncavallo)...State Opera Orchestra.
- 9.45-10.00 p.m.—News in French (on Short Wave only).
- 9.45 p.m.—Coleridge-Taylor -- "Otello" Suite. The New Symphony Orchestra conducted by Dr. Malcolm Sargent.
- 10.00 p.m.—London -- The News and News Commentary.
- 10.15 p.m.—An Hour with Schubert.
- Impromptu in E Flat Major, Op. 90, No. 2...Ellen Joyce (Piano Solo).
- Serenade...De Groot (Violin). Gibrilero (Piano) and J. Sametini (Cello).
- The Trout, Op. 32; Laughing and Weeping, Op. 59, No. 4...Kirsten Flagstad (Soprano) with Piano.
- Marche Militaire...San Francisco Symphony Orchestra.
- Andantino Varie (In B Minor, H. Moll) Op. 84, No. 1...Arthur Schnabel & Karl Ulrich Schnabel (Piano Duo).
- Ave Maria—Prieto A. La Vierge...Jane Laval (Soprano) with Orch.
- Symphony No. 4...In C. Minor "Tragic"—1st Mov. Andante molto-allegro vivace; 2nd Mov. Andante; 3rd Mov. Manueto (Allegro vivace); 4th Mov. Allegro...The Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra of New York cond. by Barbirolli.
- 11.15 p.m.—Close down.

INSPIRING FAREWELL SPEECH BY THE GOVERNOR

(Continued from Page 6)

on the one hand the deepest regret that I must give up my work with but little done of what I had hoped to do, and at a time of crisis for the Colony and the Empire; on the other, warm gratitude for the help that I have had throughout my term of office both from official and unofficial colleagues, and heartfelt appreciation of what has been said this morning of my endeavours and of what stands inscribed on this beautiful screen.

The Contrast

Recently I have read over the speeches which Sir Andrew Caldecott made at the time of his bidding the Colony farewell and I was most forcibly struck by the contrast of the circumstances as they were then and as they are to-day. When Sir Andrew was speaking not only the British Empire but China herself was still at peace, and throughout those two speeches there is no word or hint of war; to us to-day such an atmosphere is almost unthinkable. I can only hope that a good part of Sir Mark Young's term of office will be free from that grievous blight.

To turn for a moment to the eulogistic addresses which have been offered to me this morning, I can only say that I am modestly, not to say painfully, aware of the great discrepancy between the person described therein and the reality who stands here acknowledged them. Indeed I am reminded of a story told of Lord Justice Bowen, when a committee of Judges was drafting an address to Queen Victoria. A member proposed that the address should begin with the words 'Conscious as we are of our shortcomings' to which Lord Bowen rejoined 'Would it not be truer to say: "Conscious as we are of each other's shortcomings." It is of course the exact converse of that story which applies in this case, for I feel most truly conscious of how far short I fall of the virtues ascribed to me in these addresses. But for all that, my heart is truly glowing with thankfulness and pride that I should be spoken of in those terms; and I cannot adequately express my gratitude to their authors.

Social Welfare

I will not burden you with a recitation of all my many dreams of what might be done here during my Governorship, but I will,



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FIRE OFFICER ACCUSED

A Chinese Sub-Officer of the Central Fire Station, Jackie Hau, 40, and Hau Hung, 26, were charged with demanding \$200 from a woman, Lee Lal-kuen, on Sunday.

Hau Hung was additionally accused of impersonating a police officer. Both were remanded for one week by Mr. H. C. Macnamara at Kowloon this morning. Mr. C. A. S. Russ will appear for the Chinese Sub-officer.

If you will allow me, mention two which are so near to my heart that I feel that I must commend them to your keeping. We are rightly proud in Hong Kong of our great charitable institutions, and I most fully agree with all that Sir Andrew Caldecott said on that subject. At the same time I have felt for a long time that there is a need for organised research into and scientific study of the whole field of social welfare in this Colony, and before I went on leave last year I was planning the appointment of a Standing Commission for Social Welfare Affairs, the object of which would have been to carry on a continuous survey of and research into social conditions in this Colony with a view to their steady betterment. I visualised that Commission not merely as a research body, however; it was to be Government's consultant on such matters and, should occasion so require, Government's stimulator and critic. Its duties would have been to suggest for Government's consideration and execution policies and programmes of a long-range order in connection with public health, town planning, housing, labour conditions, education, and so forth. An exploratory Committee was appointed but before it could get to work there came the collapse of France and the immediate need for intensive development of the whole of our civil defence organisation. This in one way or another has so absorbed attention that no progress with the proposal to set up this Commission was possible; and, though since my return I have given the question close consideration, I fear that no other conclusion can be rightly reached at the present time.

A Reproach

Nevertheless I trust that some day that Standing Commission will come into being. Governors come and Governors go and with each change there is an interregnum and then the period of 'picking up the strings'; on the other hand, it is of essential importance that the major problems of social welfare should be under continuous surveillance and social ills under continuous treatment, irrespective of the occupancy of Government House at any one time. That Hong Kong is not as up-to-date as we would wish in the social welfare activities which I have named cannot be denied. A Standing Commission ensuring continuity of study and remedial action would, I am confident, do much in time to relieve us of that reproach.

The other dream which I bequeath to you was the recovery of the immensely valuable lands in the hearts of our towns, to-day occupied by soldiers who would gladly go to healthier and more roomy surroundings. When war broke out in 1939 I had obtained the sanction of the War Office and the Colonial Office to place before the Legislature a scheme to rebuild the Murray and Mount Austin Barracks at Sai Wan Bay and so free an area where the future citizens of Hong Kong might see arise their City Hall, their Museum, their Municipal Theatre and other buildings which we so sadly lack. Regarded even in terms of dollars the scheme promised to pay for itself; for there would have been plenty of high class business land for sale as well. The scheme's true economic return would have been inestimably high. For that step would—or so I saw in my dream—lead to other such recoveries, Victoria Barracks, Wellington Barracks and above all, Whitfield Barracks, where mule stables, for the most part, occupy urban land of enormous value. On the resultant benefits to our soldiers—to say nothing of the mules—it is not necessary to dilate; they are so obvious.

Last Chance

I feel that I owe you an apology for the way in which I have dwelt on these two schemes. If so you must forgive one who seizes his last chance to ride his pet hobbies in public. And to that apology I

COLONY LAWN BOWLS CHAMPIONSHIP DRAWS ANNOUNCED

The draw for the quarter-finals of the Colony Lawn Bowls Open Pairs Championship was made last evening and as a result the holders, F. V. V. Ribeiro and H. A. Alves, will meet the winners of the game between S. R. Solina and K. M. Omar and S. Eccleshall and J. Shepherd.

Draw for the First Round of the Open Singles and the semi-finals of the Rinks Championship were also made. In the latter competition, U. M. Omar's rink will meet the four led by A. J. Hall.

It will be recalled that Omar's four recently beat the holders (R. Basa, A.E. Coates, J.S. Landolt and C.S. Rossetti) and they are favourites for the title this year.

M. N. Rakusen, holder of the singles title, meets R. M. Mackenzie in the First Round of the Singles.

Results of the draw were as follows:—

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8
At Kowloon F.C.
L. F. Xavier v J. C. Gill
J. C. Alken v E. Curtis
At Kowloon B.G.C.
H. F. Shields v A. J. Hall
A. E. P. Guest v L. A. Guttierrez
At Civil Service C.C.
E. Kirmon v H. E. Strange
T. C. Monaghan v F. Nolan
At Craigengower C.C.
J. W. Harrop v A. H. Rumjahn
C. Downman v W. McLeod
At Club de Recreio
E. C. Fincher v J. McKelvie
R. Leigh v W. Nash
At Kowloon C.C.
H. Nish v Y. H. Tang
A. Eastman v B. W. Bradbury
At Hong Kong F.C.
J. S. Riddell v A. M. Omar
W. Ward v R. T. Broadbridge
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9
At Kowloon B.G.C.
F. Channing v R. S. Meadows
J. G. Meyer v R. Duncan
W. L. Walker v L. Sykes
At Kowloon C.C.
C. H. Basto v Y. Abbas
R. F. da Luz v A. E. Coates
At Kowloon F.C.
A. Hyde-Lay v J. Shepherd
T. A. Madar v J. F. McGowan
At Civil Service C.C.
M. R. Abbas v C. Gowland
K. M. Omar v A. Lapsley
At Police F.C.
W. V. Field v S. M. Rumjahn
J. S. Landolt v H. Overy
At Hong Kong F.C.
W. Mair v C. S. Rossetti
D. A. Rozario v M. F. Alarcon
At Craigengower C.C.
A. Brooksbank v S. H. Marvin
E. G. Post v J. J. Basto
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10
At Kowloon B.G.C.
E. de Souza v C. W. Lam
At Police F.C.
W. B. Harris v J. Hayward
R. M. Ogden v M. E. Purvis
At Hong Kong F.C.
A. G. Gratton v J. H. Gelling
B. A. Mansell v A. W. Hircock
At Civil Service C.C.
D. M. Khan v G. Perkins
W. C. Simpson v U. M. Omar
At Prison Officers' Club
W. J. Bagley v W. C. Higgs
At Kowloon F.C.
R. M. Mackenzie v M. N. Rakusen (holder)
J. McCutcheon v T. E. Coleman
At Craigengower C.C.
A. M. Holland v V. S. Ebbage
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11
At Kowloon B.G.C.
J. E. Henson v H. White
S. A. Gray v W. J. Howard
Byes—W. K. Way, T. R. Hunter, A. Shepherd, J. E. Noronha, M. Fer-

guson, J. Hempsey, E. Zimmerman, H. F. Harper, F. X. M. da Silva, C. M. da Silva, B. Basto, W. J. Burling, A. Jilott, W. Hong Sling, C. C. Silva, C. A. Gough, L. A. Jordan, A. E. Carey, A. R. Dallah, R. Basa, E. A. Atkins and N. A. E. Mackay.

Open Pairs (Quarter Finals)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10
At Kowloon F.C.
W. L. Walker and R. Duncan v N. J. Bebbington and J. F. McGowan.
At Civil Service C.C.
L. J. Silva and J. F. V. Ribeiro v D. A. Rozario and J. S. Landolt
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11
At Police F.C.
A. M. Omar and U. M. Omar v H. R. Pinna and B. Basto.
At Kowloon B.G.C.
S. R. Solina and K. M. Omar v S. Eccleshall and J. Shepherd v H. A. Alves and F. V. V. Ribeiro (holders).

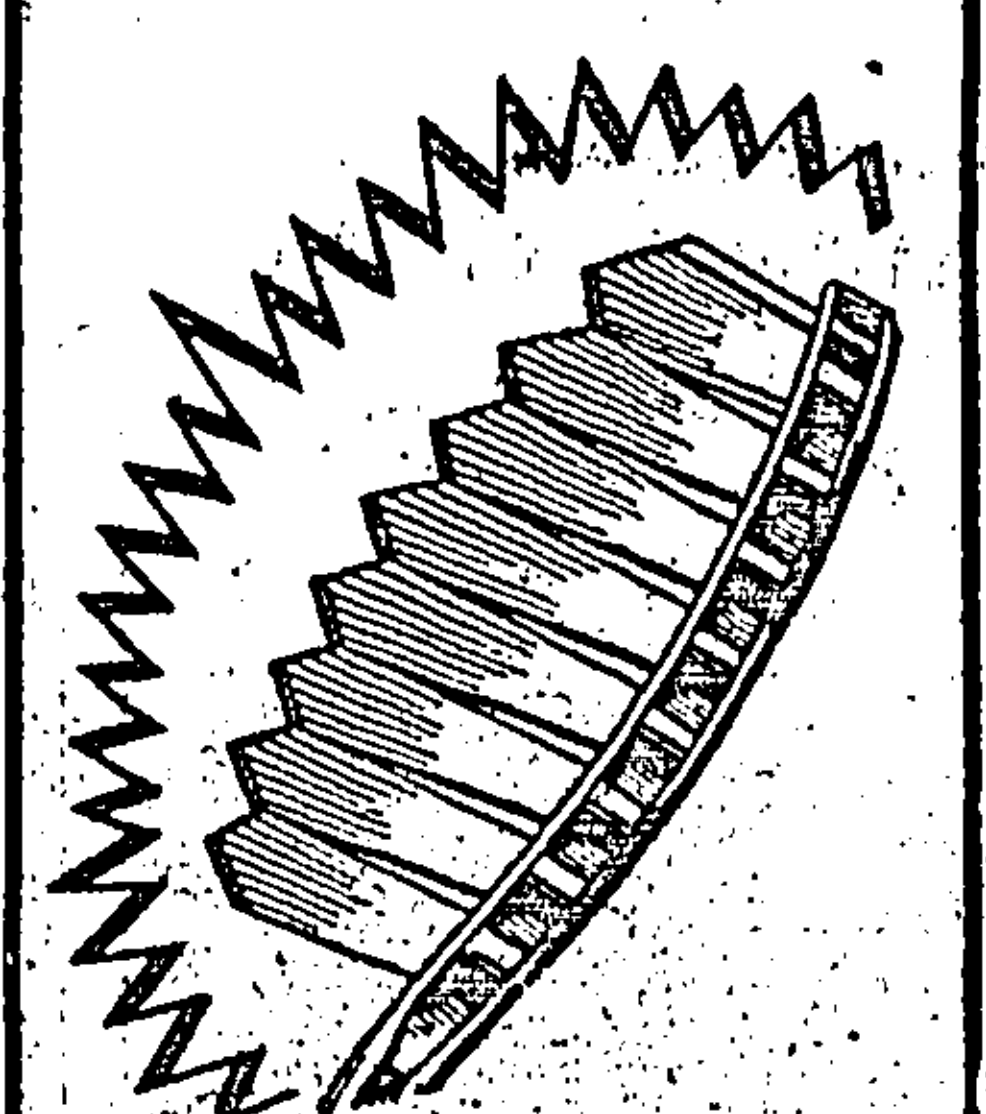
Open Rinks (Semi-Finals)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14
At Civil Service C.C.
W. McLeod, W. B. Harris, W. S. Dall and J. Shepherd v J. Hoosen, A. H. Rumjahn, A. R. Dallah and M. R. Abbas.
A. M. Omar, K. M. Omar, B. W. Bradbury and U. M. Omar v L. Sykes, W. McNeill, R. Duncan and A. J. Hall.

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The 70 new Australian Subscription ponies, to be placed in 1942 and which were recently imported into the Colony, will be drawn for at the end of this month, the cost per pony being \$900, inclusive of livery and charges to the date of draw.

HAWAIIAN SWIMMERS WIN TITLES

A new American 400 Metres free style relay record was created by the Hawaiian swimming team on August 24 when they clocked 4 min. 2.3 sec.—shattering the existing record of 4 min. 6.8 sec. established by Yale University in 1935.

Participating in a Los Angeles swimming meet, the team was composed of Bill Smith, Paul Herron, Charles Oda, and Takashi Hirose.

On the same day Chieko Miyamoto placed first in the Women's 100 Metre back-stroke in 1 min. 23.4 sec.

In the 100 Metre free-style event on August 25 Hirose won in 58.7 sec., while Chieko Miyamoto clocked 3 min. 17 sec. to win the Women's 200 Metres breast-stroke.

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MARQUES IN SHANGHAI BOWLS FINAL

WINNING CONSISTENTLY ON HALF AND THREE-QUARTER ENDS, B. F. MARQUES CREATED A MAJOR UPSET IN THE SEMI-FINALS OF THE LAWN BOWLS SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP, HELD ON AUGUST 26 AT THE GREENS OF THE SHANGHAI LAWN BOWLS CLUB, WHEN HE ELIMINATED THE STRONGLY FAVOURED A. MARSHALL FROM THE CONTEST BY 21-10. WRITES THE "NORTH CHINA DAILY NEWS."

It was a touch-and-go proposition all the way through and even till the 24th end the outcome still hung in the balance as, had any one of Marshall's shots carried the jack, the score would have been tied and the game extended to 25 ends.

Meanwhile in the second semi-final tussle, W. R. Chisholm justified his early favouritism to triumph convincingly over his Club mate, A. B. Hogg, by the score of 21-14. The encounter was productive of a much higher brand of bowls than that in the Marques-Marshall fixture as woods by both players were laid close to the jack.

Pairs Semi-Finalists

Following were the results of the quarter-final games in the Open Pairs on August 24:

R. C. Aitkenhead and F. C. McPherson lost to G. N. Manley and T. G. J. d'Almeida 14-18; G. B. Stormes and A. L. Roberts lost to A. Marshall and A. McLean 12-23; C. M. Keenan and L. A. Greenhalgh lost to H. A. Ozorio and F. Machado 12-28; J. O. Drysdale and W. Simpson lost to W. J. Monk and W. J. Ward 9-32.

SHANGHAI CRICKET

A strong Rec's XI beat a Parsee XI in Shanghai on August 26 by 134 runs. L. Mareal 23, J. H. Anderson 35, N. Hart-Baker 36 and H. P. Madar 42 contributed to their total of 198, while A. F. Gomes took 4 for 13 to help dismiss the Parsees for 64 (S. F. Shroff 26). M. J. Divecha took 6 Rec's wickets for 45 runs in 10.5 overs.

On the day previous A. Lingard's XI beat H. A. Crickmer's XI by 11 runs. F. A. Pitts scoring 48 for the former and A. J. Harvey 30 and W. V. K. Chadwick 42 for the latter.

Mr. Lawrence Kadoorie will give a lecture at Jewish Recreation Club to-morrow at 9.15 p.m. on "Various aspects of Jewish life in Europe to-day." Any one wishing to attend may secure an invitation from the Hon. Secretary, Tel. 31175.



Chang Kam-hoi will be playing at centre-half for Eastern until Hsu King-sing is fit again.

FOOTBALLERS REGISTERED WITH H.K.F.A.

Following Royal Scots players have been registered with Hong Kong Football Association: — L/Cpl. Larkin, Pte. Auld, Pte. D. Gibb, Pte. S. Parnaby, Pte. Salter, Pte. Falconer, L/Cpl. Gibson, Pte. Gardiner, Pte. Adamson, L/Cpl. R. Parnaby, Pte. Forrest, Pte. Clark, Pte. Moore, Pte. Woods, Pte. Fraser, L/Cpl. Fowler, Pte. Thomson, L/Cpl. Munro, L/Cpl. Hunter, Pte. Laws, L/Cpl. Wiseman, Sgt. Fraser, Pte. Clarke, Cpl. Marshall, Pte. Hossack, Pte. Bailey, Pte. D. Fleming, Pte. McDonald.

Following are the Royal Air Force players registered: J. Gracie, G. Smith, E. R. Chetrett, N. Baugh, W. MacDonald, H. B. Gray, T. Bartlett, L. Goodwin, R. Callaghan, J. Moore, J. Berry, L. Richardson, J. Fawcett, G. Naylor, A. Palling, W. Smith, N. Binning, D. Highlands.

TWO GALAS TODAY

A very interesting programme has been arranged for the Inter-Club swimming gala at European Y.M.C.A. to-night when the "Y", Combined Artillery, Fortress Royal Engineers, Middlesex and Small Units will be competing.

No entrance fee will be charged at this gala, which is being held in aid of the British Prisoners of War Fund, but a box will be placed at the door and donations will be welcome.

It is hoped that the water-polo game between Army and Navy, postponed for over two months, will be included in the programme.

On the Hong Kong side of the harbour, South China A.A. will be holding their fourth gala of the season at North Point, commencing at 7.30 p.m. and this, too, promises swimming of a high order, especially in the Open Men's 200 Metres free-style Relay.

SAINTS DEFENDING TITLE

St. Joseph's, holders of the First Division Softball League title, will be defending their title this season.

H. Winglee has been appointed manager of the team and D. Leonard, captain.

Pavlopki, who played centre-field for them last season, has joined Merry Madcaps, and his place will be filled by A. R. Abbas.

Following are their players:—H. Winglee, F. Gonzalez, S. Leonard, J. Ozorio, G. Souza, D. Leonard, Ali, Abbas, Hussain, Munson and Leonard.

Sgt. Rees, of Hong Kong Police, who gave up refereeing two seasons ago owing to his transfer to the New Territories and also to sickness, will be officiating again this coming season.

EASTERN WILL MISS HSU IN THEIR OPENING LEAGUE ENCOUNTERS

By "Referee"

EASTERN, RUNNERS-UP IN FIRST DIVISION OF HONG KONG FOOTBALL LEAGUE FOR THE PAST TWO SEASONS, SHOULD AGAIN MAKE A BOLD BID FOR THE TITLE AS THE COMMITTEE ARE VERY CONFIDENT THAT ALL LAST SEASON'S PLAYERS WILL REMAIN LOYAL TO THEM.

The recent tour to Australia benefited the players greatly and the experience thus gained should stand them in good stead.

They will, however, be without the services of Hsu King-seng, their pivot, for some time as he is suffering from water on the knee following an injury sustained while on tour with South China recently. Hsu has been the mainstay of the Eastern defence for several seasons, and the gap will be hard to fill satisfactorily.

Eastern have, however, discovered that Chang Kam-hoi, an inside-forward, is an even better half-back, having played some rattling good games as right-half in Australia, and he will probably be seen in the pivotal position until Hsu's return.

Lau Hing-hon will again be seen in goal, with Tsui Hang as a

MEDICALS' FOOTBALL PRACTICE

By "Sportshawk"

Royal Army Medical Corps held their first soccer trial of the season yesterday when Colours beat Whites by 3 goals to 1.

Several newcomers were seen in action and among these were Thomson, Cliff, Wright and Chesbrough, all of whom gave fairly good accounts of themselves, while Jones, Forknall and Don, who were injured early last season, also made a welcome reappearance.

Last year's players, who were notable absentees yesterday were Smith, Insidright, Parikh, left wing, Webb, full-back, and Bennett, the goalkeeper, all of whom will be turning out in the League this season.

The bumpy state of the ground and the long grass was not conducive to good football but the display of the majority of the players showed that Medicals should be able to raise a good side this season.

In yesterday's game Beeston (2) and Reynolds scored for Colours and Chesbrough for Whites.

"Colours":—Jones; Thomson and Insidright; Forknall, Loyne and Twitcheil; Reynolds, Cliff, Ross, Nichols and Beeston.

"Whites":—Bickley; Hirst and Evans; Wright, Florence (Captain) and Collins; Chesbrough, Don, Leath, Harris and Wilkinson.

JOCKEYS FOR ST. LEGER

Probable jockeys for the St. Leger, which will be run at Manchester on Saturday, September 6, are:

Bakhtawar (Harry Wragg), Chateaufort (Rose Jones), Dancing Time (Beary), Devontan (Perryman), Felous (E. P. H. Smith or Carey), Fitzedlin (Stephenson), Mazarin (Bartlam), Orthodox (D. Smith), Owen Tudor (Novati), Ptolemy (E. P. H. Smith or Carey), Ranger (B. Wragg), Royal Academy (Gardner), Royalist (Lowrey), Starwort (Taylor), Sun Castle (Bridgland). No jockeys for Fettes and Lambert Stimmell have been announced.—Reuter.

The Colony Lawn Bowls Championship draws are on Page 18.



Kong Sing-king, who did not play in many games last year, will be available. Last season he was transferred to Macao and played only occasionally. Ng Kee-cheong and Y. S. Yen are the other backs available, though Ng is equally at home in the intermediate line, where his height and head-work are his main assets.

Lo Wants Rest

Lo Wai-kuen, who toured Malaya with South China, will be seen at right-half, but this player has expressed a desire to take a rest during the first weeks of the season, in which case Ng Kee-cheong will probably be seen at right-half, with Chang Kam-hoi in the pivotal position and Lau Tze-chun at left-half.

The defence is a fairly good one, but much depends on how well Chang Kam-hoi plays at centre-half.

The normal forward line will be Chung Yung-sum, Lau Fook-chuen, V. K. Hyul, C. T. Tsao and Hau Ching-to.

Lau's Chance

Lau Fook-chuen, who played for Kwong Wah last season, will be given a chance in the forward line, where he will play in Chang Kam-hoi's position.

Hau Ching-to is the better winger as Chung Yung-sum, who also toured Malaya with South China, showed a distinct decline in form at the end of last season and also on tour.

C. T. Tsao will be seen at inside-left, but he is equally at home in any position in the attack and, in fact, excels on the wing.

Last season Eastern were forced to withdraw their junior team, but competed in the Junior Shield, only to be beaten in the First Round. This season they have again entered Second Division, and it is expected that a fairly good team will be fielded, consisting of a number of players who were prominent in the Small-Ball League during the Summer.

Pauline Baxter, C.B.A. hockey player, is leaving for Australia shortly.

Clarence Igit, pitcher for Panagould in the Northeast Arkansas League, is ready to claim some kind of streakout—and endurance—record. Igit struck out 30 men in a 10-inning game with Yawport recently and allowed only six hits. The game was called at the end of the 10th, the score locked at 1-1.

Two basketball matches were decided at Chinese Y.M.C.A. last night, when National University trounced Wah Kiu by 31-20 and S.C.A.A. beat V.R.C. 52-23. Chan San-tau and Yip Fei-lung were outstanding for the National University, while Shek Chun-tat played well for South China. E. Tavares was prominent for V.R.C.

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Wally Ching Pitches China To Sensational Win Over United States

By "Grandstand"

INSPIRED BY A RECORD CROWD OF SUPPORTERS, WHO JAMMED EVERY NOOK AND CRANNY OF A CREAKING GRAND-stand, GRANDPA LEUNG'S ALL-CHINESE BASEBALL NINE OVERPOWERED THE UNITED STATES CONTINGENT 11 TO 3 TO BECOME THE NEW INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONS, BEHIND THE MASTERFUL PITCHING OF WALLY "DIMPLES" CHING, WHO HAD THE OPPOSING BATTERS EATING OUT OF HIS HANDS WITH A VARIETY OF TEASERS DURING HIS SIX-INNING MOUND TENURE.

In the Hong Kong All-Stars v U. S. Navy series, the blue-jackets recovered from their shellacking of a week ago and managed to pull the series out of the fire with a 7 to 3 triumph after the count had been dead-locked 3-all for six eventful frames.

Hong Kong Baseballers v. South China the League finale, resulted in Mohawks over-running Caroliners 18 to 6 before a handful of spectators, whilst the Bees shaded the Aces 4 to 2 in an exhibition tilt staged by the pupils of Grandpa Leung's Baseball School.

All Lau, who started on the hill for the Chinese, was derrick-ed in favour of Wally Ching after he had conceded three safeties. For the rest of the game Ching fanned three and walked one, and was robbed of a no-hit no-run performance by allowing Lou Pawloski to nick him for a double. Tony Mascavage, working on the slab for the losers, yielded seven blows, struck-out one and walked three.

Short-lived Lead

Three Chinese batters paraded to the plate and back again in the first inning for a scoreless frame, whilst the Americans tallied three times on three blows to jump into a short-lived lead. In the second frame Morocco Chan singled and pilfered second, whilst Hank Chan was given a life on third-sacker Bowersox's fumble. Al Lau trotted down the line to load the sacks, after working moundsman Mascavage for a walk on four pitched balls.

Coming up into the batter's box with runners dancing on the base-trails, Pete Choy socked the apple on the nose for a two-run double. Dick Chung's "Japanese liner" to right chased two more mates over the plate for the Chinese to draw ahead, and before the disastrous inning was over Hank All dumped a neat bunt along first to score Chung.

In the next semester the Chinese started off by loading the sacks on a bingle, a miscue and a walk to produce another cluster of five counters, after they had batted right around. In the fourth, and the fifth they were horse-collared, but in the sixth the Chinese stowed the game away with another marker on a walk and a sacrifice.

Belated Rally

After being blanked for five chapters, the Americans staged a belated uprising in the last stanza, but the threat was smothered, as Earl Wilson popped out to first-sacker Hank Chan.

Only one double erasure was completed in the scuffle, when—elaborate—Tony Mascavage froze on to Pete Choy's liner and tossed Al Lau out at second.

Lou Pawloski returned a two-in-three performance with the hickory, whilst both Nip Lum and Morocco Chan clouted safely twice in four batting attempts. Both Pete Choy and Dick Chung chased in three mates with timely hitting.

Pawloski Again

Featured by Lou Pawloski's return to form on the hillock, the U.S. Navy nine chalked up their first win in the five-game series against Hong Kong All-Stars with a 7 to 3 verdict, climaxed by a brilliant twin-killing when gardener Earl Wilson snared Bob Foley's towering hit after a breathless chase that deserved car-fare and lunch money back to his post. Not only that, but the

high-stepper rifled a bullet peg right down to first-sacker McKenzie to nab Al Lau a mile off the bag, for the outstanding fielding gem of the season.

Mound maestro Pawloski fanned six and walked none, whilst slabster Al Lau whiffed two and passed one to first.

All-Stars Score

Inaugurating the initial canto, Nip Lum slashed out a single on the first pitch, and sped all the way to third as hind-snatcher Mascavage heaved one out into centre field. Tony "Peewee" Alves' sacrifice dump saw Lum cross the pan standing up for All-Stars to draw first blood. In their half of the session the sailors regained the lead with a couple of counters on a double and a triple assisted with a brace of miscues.

In the second semester Gerry Gosano dented the pay-off station to knot the count, but the blue-jackets forged ahead again when Greasy Moore romped home with the tie-breaker after catcher Bob Foley let a pitch get past him.

The untiring Nip Lum came through with another hit in the third chapter, pilfered second and drew a wild heave from Mascavage to spike the rubber for the tie-ing marker. Both sides were unable to produce a run for the next three frames.

Perfect Batting

In the sixth canto a barrage of four blows and two miscues enabled the sailors to produce a spurge of four runs to salt the game away.

Both Nip Lum and Henry "Crooner" Ruel had a perfect bat-

MRS. COOKE'S BID FOR U.S. TITLE

For close to a dozen years, Mrs. Sarah Palfrey Cooke has been battling America's best women players on the tennis courts, and yet to-day the little veteran is faced with her best opportunity of winning the American singles crown, a championship which has eluded her.

The retirement of Alice Marble from the amateur ranks leaves the women's field wide open. And Mrs. Cooke, with her experience and vastly improved game this season, stands an even chance of reaching her goal. Back in 1935 and '36, she was runner-up to Helen Jacobs, but that was as close as she ever got to the crown.

Mrs. Cooke's forte has been in doubles play. On eight occasions she shared the American crown, the last four years with Alice Marble, as her partner. She has been fairly successful in the mixed doubles, too, having won the title three times with Fred Perry, Enrique Maier, and Don Budgo. The one factor that has stood in her path to the American singles crown in the past has been her lack of stamina. Her game has always been along the soft, game, many of the girls play. Unfortunately, she stands only 5-foot-3, and weighs around 110 pounds.

Mrs. Cooke's game has always been well rounded. She has the strokes and knows how to use them. This spring she returned to action with her forehand improved by a changed grip. In addition, she has come up with a very handy drop shot, something she lacked in the past.

Mrs. Cooke may fall in her quest, but one thing is certain—she is giving it a good whirl this year.

REFEREE'S ASSOCIATION MEETING

Hong Kong Football Referees' Association are holding their first monthly meeting of the season this evening at Hotel Cecil at 8 p.m. The speaker will be Lieut. L. G. Crossby, M.M.R.A. chairman of Army Referees' Association.

Among the items on the agenda is the date for the annual soccer game between Referees and Press.

ting day, the former coming through with three-in-three, whilst the latter included a three-bagger in his two safeties. Other extra-base clouts include Gerry Gosano's mighty triple that cleared the right field fence, and two-baggers by Wilson and Moore.

In Sunday's night-cap, Chuck Waggoner's Mohawks shellacked three South China slabs for a total of 16 blows to overwhelm the Caroliners 18 to 6.

"Doc" Molthen, who started on the hill for the victors, fanned three and walked four for six frames, whilst Ernie Hearther whiffed two and walked in the remaining chapter.

Nam Hwa regular chucker Paul Lau, who worked on the rubber for six frames, struck-out two and passed eight and was relieved by Ernie Moy with the sacks loaded in the sixth. Moy couldn't find the plate and received his walking papers after letting in four counters by handing out four free rides to the initial satchel. As a last resort, manager Hal Winglee put brother Cecil on the mound, who fanned George Daniels on four pitches to end the fiasco.

DID YOU KNOW?

The three-base-hit record for a single season stands at 36 and was established by J. Owen Wilson of Pittsburgh in 1912. That same year Joe Jackson hit 26 for Cleveland.

ALEC PEARCE SHOULD BE ABLE TO GET FINE ARMY SIDE TOGETHER

(By "Incog")

THE ANNOUNCEMENT THAT ARMY SPORTS BOARD HAS DECIDED TO ENTER TWO TEAMS IN THE CRICKET LEAGUE THIS SEASON HAS GIVEN SATISFACTION ALL ROUND, AND IS SURE TO ADD TO THE INTEREST OF THE COMPETITIONS AS ARMY ARE CAPABLE OF FIELDING TWO VERY STRONG SIDES ANY SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

Lieut. T. A. Pearce, Colony and Hong Kong Cricket Club all-rounder, will be in charge of the First Division team, and it is felt that with one of his calibre at the helm the season's prospects for Army are indeed bright.

Though no names are available just yet, it is understood that in addition to most of last season's stalwarts, Pearce will also have the services of a couple of new arrivals who have played in good class cricket at Home and who are expected to be able to turn out regularly.

In addition to Alec Pearce, two Hong Kong Cricket Club players, in J. L. C. Pearce and R. M. M. King are also available.

Major Swyer, who has captained R.A.M.C. with so much success for a number of years, will be leading the Second Division team, and will have some promising talent from which to make his selection.

By Drawback

The one great drawback for the Army is the lack of facilities for nets practice—at least insofar as "other ranks" are concerned—and in this connection it would perhaps be worth the while of the Sports Board to consider returning part of the ground at Sookun-poo for this purpose.

Owing to the fact that the different units are scattered all over the Colony, organised practice is almost an impossibility for the Army, and knock-ups on cement pitches, in barrack compounds, have served for practices in the past—and will probably continue to do so for many years to come.

In spite of all this, however, Army have always been able to provide the Colony with a number of really good all-round cricketers, and it would appear that 1941-42 will be no exception.

Now that the Army have openly stated they are ready for the season, it is to be hoped that the Cricket League will rise from its prolonged Summer slumber and set the wheels in motion for another enjoyable season.

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Civil Service Cricket Club have all their cricket stalwarts, to call on this coming season, while there is the possibility that R. G. K. Thompson, who has played good class cricket at Home, will be persuaded to turn out for them as well.

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Dr. O. I. E. de Souza, who was one of University's leading hockey players in his undergraduate days, returned to the Colony yesterday from London after an absence of over five years.

C.B.A. WIN OVER ARMY AT TENNIS

At King's Park yesterday, Central British Association beat Army Tennis Club by 6½ sets to 2½ in Fourth Division of the Tennis League, scores being:—

B. I. Bickford and T. Gaubert (C.B.A.) beat Ford and Quismil 6-4
beat Spencer and A. N. Other 6-2
S. A. Fowler and N. Whitley (C.B.A.) beat Ford and Quismil 6-3
lost to Mitchell and Alsey 1-6
beat Spencer and A. N. Other 6-4
G. Guravitch and B. Tomashevsky (C.B.A.) beat Ford and Quismil 6-1
lost to Mitchell and Alsey 2-6
beat Spencer and A. N. Other 6-2

Central British Association are now left with one more game—against Post Office Club (2)—and this has been provisionally fixed for next Monday.

Table To Date

	Sets	Pts.
S.C.A.A.	10 10 0 0 74	16 20
C.C.C.	10 9 1 0 72½	17½ 18
C.R.C.	10 8 2 0 63½	26½ 16
F.C.	10 7 3 0 58	29 14
A.T.C.	10 4 5 1 47½	42½ 9
I.R.C.	9 4 4 1 33½	47½ 9
P.O.F.C. (1)	10 4 6 0 40	50 8
C.B.A.	9 3 6 0 31	50 6
P.O.F.C. (2)	9 2 7 0 19½	51½ 4
J.R.C.	10 1 9 0 29½	50½ 2
K.I.T.C.	9 0 9 0 7½	73½ 0

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W. H. Choy, well-known Chinese player, is seeded fourth among the foreign entries in the United States national tennis championship now in progress at Forest Hills.

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Luis Castillo, Mexican flyweight champion, knocked out Filipino battler Little Pancho in the second round of their scheduled 10-round battle at Mexico City on August 24.



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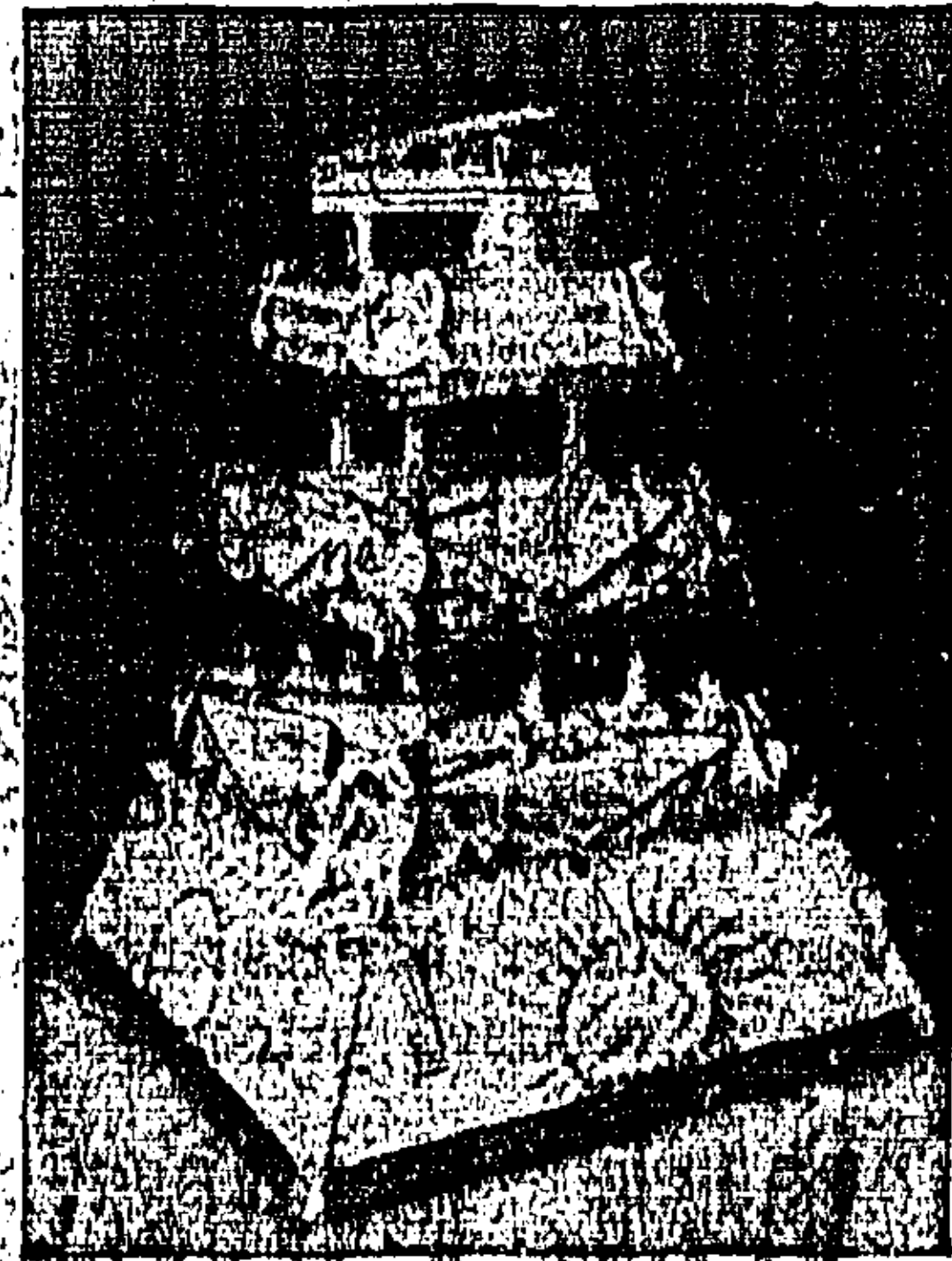
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"AFTER MORE THAN a year of oppression, the Netherlands are and feel stronger, and are more unconquerable than ever before," declared Her Majesty Queen Wilhelmina over Radio Orange last night, broadcasting to Dutch people throughout the world in commemoration of her 61st birthday which was celebrated on Sunday.

She declared that the Netherlands would play its part in the new world order as envisaged by Mr. Winston Churchill and President Roosevelt.

The arch-enemy of humanity, Hitler, wanted to destroy the Netherlands. He had overpowered them, robbed them of liberty and his hordes had looted, leaving the Dutch to starve. He sought to crush their soul but had failed.

She praised the "indomitable courage, daring and tough unbreakable resistance" of the Dutch and paid tribute to the laurels won by the Dutch armed forces and merchant seamen, adding that the entire realm would fight until victory was achieved.

Lust For Murder

The Queen paid homage to all those people who had met with the same fate as the Netherlands and were resisting Nazi tyranny. "While our mutual assailant is

now venting his lust for murder and robbery against the courageous Russian people, resistance manifests itself as his back is turned and the united peoples are preparing at present to toll the death-knell for him and his detestable order.

"MOST CERTAINLY A DEATH-KNELL BUT ONE WHICH WILL RING JOY BECAUSE IT WILL HERALD THE LIBERATION OF PEOPLES." — REUTER.

In her broadcast birthday message to her compatriots throughout the world, Queen Wilhelmina made known her warm appreciation of the national present of a destroyer to take the place of the Jan Van Ga'en which met a glorious end in the engagement with large forces of enemy bombers near Rotterdam last May. — British Wireless.

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THE QUISLING PATIENTS

Both M. Laval and M. Deat passed a good night states a bulletin issued yesterday morning in Vichy.

The bulletin adds "M. Laval's condition is satisfactory, M. Deat's condition gives more and more ground for satisfaction." — Reuter.

French Admiral Resigns

Admiral Leluc has resigned command of the French Naval Forces and his post as head of the Navy Secretariat which was entrusted to him by Admiral Darlan, says the Vichy News Agency.

He is replaced in both posts by Admiral Auphan, who is the youngest officer holding an Admiral's rank in the French Navy. Admiral Auphan was entrusted with the reorganisation of the French mercantile marine.

Admiral Leluc was one of the French plenipotentiaries who signed the Armistice with Germany. He was regarded in French naval circles as a very competent sailor for whom a brilliant career was predicted. — Reuter.

GOLD BAR DISPUTE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

THE SHANGHAI GOLD BAR EXCHANGE DISPUTE BETWEEN THE "LONGS" AND "SHORTS" WAS SETTLED THIS MORNING WHEN EXCHANGE RATES FOR THE AUGUST SETTLEMENT WERE FIXED AT A COMPROMISE FIGURE.

Previously, the shorts argued that the rate should be based on the Chinese Currency Stabilisation Fund figure of 5 5/16 and the "longs" maintained that the figure should be on the basis of the black market.

The compromise settlement was reached at a medium price of \$6,765 per 10-ounce bar, thus enabling the gold bar market to resume business after several days' suspension. — International News Service.

Warning To Afghanistan

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

IT WAS DISCLOSED IN LONDON LAST NIGHT THAT A BRITISH WARNING COUCHED IN FRIENDLY TERMS, HAS BEEN SENT TO AFGHANISTAN, DRAWING ATTENTION TO THE DANGERS OF GERMAN INFILTRATION.

In authoritative quarters it was stated that "Afghanistan is now fully alive to the menace."

The warning was similar to that despatched to Iran. — International News Service.

STOP PRESS

The No. 1 Typhoon Signal was hoisted in the Colony at 2.10 p.m. to-day.

The Royal Observatory received reports this morning that the position of the typhoon at 6 a.m. to-day was Lat. 17, Long. 115, moving in a westerly direction.

Local observations, however, indicate that the typhoon has recurved and moving in a north-westerly direction.

RUSSO-FINNISH PEACE RUMOURS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Reports of impending peace negotiations which would halt the Russo-Finnish hostilities at the old Finnish frontier persist in London, but nothing concrete has been disclosed.

Moscow and Helsinki remain silent. — International News Service.

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